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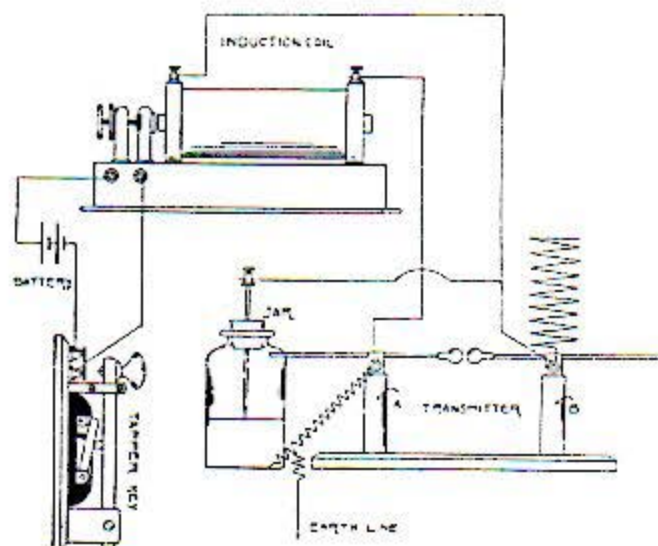
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Net Control, W6FO

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7035 kHz

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Pictured here is a truly vintage circuit diagram for a Spark Transmitter. This was published December 7, 1907, in "The Boy's Own Paper".

The material was obtained from Harry Gloster, VE3IT, who in turn had received it from the Toronto Public Library through the efforts of VE3BSW.

The Boy's Own Paper was an English publication of that time and formed the basis for the first amateur transmitter and receiver constructed by VE3IT.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

QCWA is beginning its 36th year of existence. In this New Year, 1983, QCWA has the opportunity to take a responsible position in helping to set the path that Amateur Radio will follow through the years.

The Federal Communications Commission has, for better or worse, begun a series of steps calling more and more for amateur participation in the regulation, licensing and policing areas that have traditionally been administered by the FCC. QCWA can actively help to guide formation of laws and of regulations and their application to the advantage of all.

Clear and dispassionate consideration of all of the phases of the changes facing us is needed. We must give thought to change, understand the fact that it will come, and that we can, by careful consideration do much to adhere to tradition and yet be willing to make room for new ideas. Surely our members, of proven mettle, can provide a great deal of this needed thought and working through their Officers and Board, insure that Amateur Radio will continue to have a bright future.

The Spring QCWA meeting of the Board will be held in Dallas, TX this year. Members who can, are invited to take part. Invitations to Chapters in the surrounding states have gone out. The Board will be in session and anxious to hear your ideas. A formal announcement of the meeting will appear in the HLR soon. We hope that many of you will be able to visit with us then.

QCWA HONOR AWARDS

QCWA MEMBER OF THE YEAR

1979	Mr. Ed Trombley, W8CAM
	Mr. M. W. McRae, W9RC
1980	Mr. Lew Sieck, K4NE
1981	Mr. Herb Gleed, W6FO

QCWA HALL OF FAME

1979	Mr. Ray Meyers, W6MLZ
1980	Mr. Bill Halligan, W9AC
1981	Mr. Barry Goldwater, K7UGA

QCWA ROLL OF HONOR

1980	Mr. John DiBlasi, W2FX
	Mr. Gus Girona, W2JE

PAST PRESIDENTS

John DiBlasi, W2FX*	1947-1964
Earl R. Thomas, W2MM*	1965-1968
Clarence Seid, W2KW	1969-1971
Barry Goldwater, K7UGA	1972-1973
Frank A. Gunther, W2ALS	1974-1977
Harry S. Gartsman, W6ATC	1978-1981

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY/GENERAL MANAGERS

Ralph G. Barber, W2ZM*	1955-1964
Gus Girona, W2JE	1965-1973
Ethel Smith, K4LMB	1974-1976

HONORARY MEMBERS

George E. Sterling	Peaks Island, Maine
Richard E. Wiley	Arlington, Virginia
Rosel H. Hyde	Washington, D. C.
Col. W. J. Baird	Alexandria, Virginia
Robert E. Lee	Washington, D. C.

EDITOR'S CORNER

DEADLINE DATES FOR QCWA NEWS

FEBRUARY ISSUE	January 5
MAY ISSUE	March 10
AUGUST ISSUE	July 10
OCTOBER ISSUE	September 10

QCWA, Inc.



NOTICE: ALL CANDIDATES HAVE RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM QCWA SECRETARY, W4WHN, THAT A NEW PICTURE AND STATEMENT FOR PUBLICATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY BALLOT, BE SENT TO HQ AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE DO IT AS SOON AS CONVENIENTLY POSSIBLE.

1983 is an election year, as every year from now on will be. This will be the only year, however, in which we will ever again elect all Officers and Board Members at one time. The rules have been changed so that Officers will have two year terms and Directors too, but 5 directors will be elected each year.

THE QCWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL MEET IN DALLAS, TEXAS, APRIL 8 & 9, 1983. THIS IS THE MID-YEAR WORK MEETING. MEMBERS WHO CAN MAKE IT ARE INVITED TO MEET WITH THE BOARD ON SATURDAY THE 9th FOR A GET-ACQUAINTED SESSION.

THE LOCATION OF THE MEETING HAS NOT YET BEEN SET AWAITING FINAL WORD FROM MEMBERS IN THE AREA WHO PLAN TO ATTEND...SO THAT WE CAN GET A MEETING ROOM LARGE ENOUGH AT LITTLE OR NO COST!

- W5EJ -

QCWA OFFICE SCHEDULE

JANUARY	JULY
Jan 1, All candidate nominations at HQ for FEB QCWA NEWS	July 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS
Jan 5, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS	AUGUST
Jan 25, Feb News to PTR	Aug 1, Election polls closed
FEBRUARY	Aug 5, Tellers report to GM and President
Feb 15, Publish QCWA NEWS	Aug 15, GM notifies candidates by telephone
MARCH	Aug 15, Aug. News to PTR
Mar 1, Determine eligibility of all candidates	SEPTEMBER
Mar 5, All candidate bio-material at HQ	Sep 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS
Mar 10, Deadline material for QCWA NEWS	OCTOBER
APRIL	Oct 1, Report Nom. Comm. to President & GM
Apr 20, May news to PTR Inc Cand. material and ballot	Oct 10, Nov News to PTR
	Oct 30, Call for Membership nom. petitions--Q50 PTY rules
MAY	Publish QCWA NEWS
May 10, Publish QCWA NEWS*	NOVEMBER
JUNE	DECEMBER
	Dec 31, Membership petition deadline

*Absolute deadline for publication is May 15. All other dates are tentative and subject to minor variations.

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BACK IN NOVEMBER, 1980, AT THE ORLANDO, FL QCWA MEETING, WE WERE HANDED A NUMBER OF CHECKS GIVEN TO THE MEMORIAL FUND... ALL OF THESE WERE DUELY DEPOSITED TO THE ACCOUNT AND ALL EXCEPT ONE WERE ACKNOWLEDGED...ART MILLIGAN, W8KW, PRESENTED A CHECK FOR \$50, ALONG WITH A NUMBER OF OTHER OFFICERS & DIRECTORS...WE NEVER THANKED HIM FOR IT...VERY RELATILY WE DO SO NOW!

We have been requested to place an explanation of the symbols in the margin of the 1982 Membership Directory. We had fully intended for it to be included, but it was left out. A description of each symbol used appears on page 23 of this issue of QCWA NEWS.

QUITE OFTEN WE RECEIVE WORD THAT ONE CANNOT FIND A NOTE INDICATING WHERE TO SEND MEMBERSHIP DUES, ETC IN THE NEWS. WELL, WE DO PRINT IT, BUT NOT EVERY ISSUE HAS THE INFO. WE'LL REPEAT IT NOW, ALL REMITTANCES SHOULD BE SENT TO:

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NOTE THE NEW DUES SCHEDULE BELOW, AND A BRAND NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM IS ON THE BACK COVER DESIGNED TO PROVIDE ANSWERS TO SOME OF THE QUERYS WE RECEIVE, AND TO MAKE FILLING OUT THE APPLICATION A BIT EASIER.

QCWA MEMBERSHIP DUES SCHEDULE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1983

Term of Membership	US Members	Mexico & Canada	Members Overseas	Family Members
3 Years	\$25.00	\$34.00	\$17.00	\$10.00
2 Years	\$20.00	\$26.00	\$15.00	-
1 Year	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	-
Life	\$125.00	\$170.00	\$85.00	-
LTP*	\$155.00	\$180.00	\$95.00	-
Payments	(3 @ \$45)	(3 @ \$60)	(35, 30, 30)	

*If Life Time Payments are not completed in one year, all funds received are used to extend regular membership at the lowest current rate.

New Members are required to pay a one-time \$3.00 charge as initiation fee, in addition to the schedule of dues above.

MEMBERSHIP FEES PAYABLE IN U. S. FUNDS ONLY!

QCWA MEMORIAL FUND REPORT, 1982

LIST OF DONORS WHO GAVE TO THE QCWA MEMORIAL FUND DURING 1982. THE AMOUNT OF INDIVIDUAL GIFTS DOES NOT APPEAR...ONLY THE TOTAL FOR EACH CALL AREA. *Italics following a donors call indicates those in whose name the gift was tendered.*

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W1BQL; W1CTR; W1EM; W1MPP; W1NNK; W1EWD; W1EZR; W1FBJ; W1HZ; W1FKW; W1FNI; K1MAN; W1PCD; W1VMD; W1YJ.

N2BC; W2CAY; W2OK; W2CUZ; W2CVF; W2FX and 37 Silent Key Charter Members; W2DIA; KAZEIO; W2HYI; W2IRC; K2JF; W2JZX; W2KWW; W2QXE; W2VLH; N2XJ.

W3ABC; W3LB; W3GU; W3ADE; W3KT; W3CBF; W3KT; W3FU; W3HP; W3SW; W3NNV; K3OKS;

W4AB1; W4ACG; W4ACY; K4AMG; W4COW; W4CW; W4DSU; W4FVM; W4IPP; K4JJ1; W4MZZ; W4NOA; W4OB; W4Q1; W4SIG; W4OVZ; K4FU; N4UH; W4VQE; W4WHN; K4YL; W4YVZ; W4ZMX.

W5AE; K5DM; N5BAK; K5DM; K5BYO; W5BW; W5CI; N5CID; K5DN; W5CR; K5DM; W5GVZ; K5ZRN; W5HBT; W5DQ; W5TCS; W5HVF; W5HYK; K5DM; K5IMC; W5IY; W5MXC; K5DM; W5KL; W5NC; W5CWB; K5VAA; W5OP; W5RB; W5RON; W5HXG; W5RQH; W5MXC; W5SU; W5STZB; W5UQP; W5WE; W5MXC; W5CMV; W5OTC; W5ZKM.

W6AEJ; W6AM; W6BLK; W6BRM; W6BZE; W6CDF; W6CIT; W6DGL; W6CL; W6CS; W6CYX; W6DIS; W6EBX; W6FOJ; W6HYS; W6FQ; W6GXR; W6HNI; W6HS; K6ICS; W6YOL; K6IDL; W6ZLV; N6IE; W6IL; W6JAO; K6KD; W6LF; W6LRW; W6TKD; W6HFP; K6MG; W6MHZ; K6HJQ; W6NBJ; K6NC; W6NGK; W6NMF; W6OED; W6OSD; W6OSL; W6PHE; K6PI; W6PYV; W6QJQ; W6QLJ; W6QLQ; W6QS; W6RDL; W6AGV; W6HXB; K6CFL; W6TH; K6SK; K6SQ; W6SZZ; K6SX; W6TET; W6TGI; W6TOX; W6TVZ; W6WHK; W6YVY; K6ZE.

W7AMK; W7AVV; W7BRG; W7BXL; VE6HO; KL7DG; K7GL; VE6HO; W7HPD; W7IDH; W7HZG; W7JMX; W6YOL; VE6HO; W7KLE; W7PPA; W7KSV; W7KU; W7KXH; W7LIX; VE6HO; W7NJS; W7HHB; W7OIO; W7OQQ; W7ORM; KL7PJ; W7PX; VE6HO; KO7R; W7RIR; KB7UM; NL7Y; K7YUA; W7YUY.

W8CTO; K8GRO; W8LPP; W8PEY; W8CEQ; W8DSR; W8XU; W8AXT; K8CXE; W8KJZ; W8ZFC; W8NWB; W8ANS; W8WKY; W8RPE; W8IX; W8NLT; W8TPS; K8UZ; K8CM.

W9AC; W9ATJ; W9DZG; W9IH; K9PZD; W9HPG; W9VQP; W9ZDG; W9HPG.

W0CVU; W0JAQ; W0EPF; W0PEX; W0PLN.

The sum of dollar value gifts made by individuals for the call districts and donors shown above are:

Call District	Amount	Call District	Amount
First	216.00	Sixth	1068.00
Second	516.00	Seventh	344.50
Third	413.00	Eighth	171.00
Fourth	391.00	Ninth	131.50
Fifth	592.00	Zero	122.00

In addition to the above gifts, we have received a number of individual gifts from our International members. Gifts have been received from other organizations, and from some of our friends. A number of the Wives of QCWA Silent Key Members have made significant gifts to the Memorial Fund in memory of their loved ones. These donors are listed below and the sum of their gifts is shown.

Dorothy C. Buonocore, in memory of her Husband, W2POV;
Bertha I. Campbell, in memory of her Husband, W5SWA
Sarah I. Davis, in memory of her Husband, W6YOL
Naoma S. Martin, in memory of her Husband, W5PA
Lavina A. Nicholson, in memory of her Husband, W4BU
Joyce Stray, in memory of her Husband, W6INU

The 4 PM Net, in memory of W1MPP

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Amateur Radio Club of Shreveport, in memory of W5CMV

Northeast Area Barnyard Net, in memory of W1MPP

Ron Hesler, VE1SH
G. H. McFarlane, VE3YF
C. D. Newell, W9SQJ

These donors contributed a total of \$892.00 to the Fund.

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Many of the QCWA Chapters contributed significant gifts to the Memorial Fund. The following gifts, by Chapters, were given in the name of all of their members, by the Chapter.

ARK-LA-TEX CHAPTER, in Memory of W5MXC, W5CMV, W5OTC
ATLANTA CHAPTER, in Memory of W4OX, W4EJN, W4IO
BALTIMORE CHAPTER
CANTON, OHIO CHAPTER
CENTRAL VIRGINIA CHAPTER, in Memory of W4YKY, K4HKO
CHATTANOOGA CHAPTER
CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER, in Memory of W9RC, W9WR
COASTAL BEND CHAPTER
COASTAL CAROLINAS CHAPTER, in Memory of W4OFO
DALLAS CHAPTER, in Memory of W5MXC, W5AZC, K5DM
EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER
GATOR CHAPTER, in Memory of W4PHM
LONG ISLAND CHAPTER
MAGNOLIA CHAPTER
MID SOUTH CHAPTER, in Memory of K4GNI, K4JSF
NEBRASKA CHAPTER
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, W6BYS
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER
NORTHERN VIRGINIA CHAPTER
RAZORBACK CHAPTER
SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER
SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
SUNCOAST CHAPTER
TREASURE STATE CHAPTER
WASHINGTON, DC CHAPTER
WISCONSIN CHAPTER
YANKEE CHAPTER, in Memory of W1MPP, W1VXC, W1KXP

These donors contributed a sum of \$4580.24, to the Fund.

In the Winter, 1981, issue of QCWA NEWS, the PINE TREE CHAPTER OF QCWA issued a challenge to all other Chapters to make a contribution during 1982, equal to the gift made by Pine Tree Chapter of \$125.00. A great deal of work was done by The Chapter, its President, Glenn Baxter, K1MAN, conducted a lone effort to get Chapters throughout the USA to set up a committee to work to get additional gifts for the Memorial Fund. Headquarters established a record so that we could report on what happened. The following list of Chapters together with the money amount listed, is the total from all sources, by the Chapter wherein either the member making a contribution, or the Chapter itself noted that it wished to be identified.

Chapter 2, Chicago Area	\$284.50
Chapter 4, Northwest Chapter	47.50
Chapter 5, Delaware Valley Chapter	25.00
Chapter 7, Southern California Chapter	126.00
Chapter 8, Upper Midwest Chapter	50.00
Chapter 11, Northern California Chapter	45.00
Chapter 14, San Diego Chapter	640.00
Chapter 20, Baltimore Chapter	100.00
Chapter 21, Canton, OH Chapter	128.00
Chapter 23, Washington, DC Chapter	100.00
Chapter 25, Nebraska Chapter	2,500.00
Chapter 32, Gator Chapter	100.00
Chapter 37, Harrisburg Chapter	10.00
Chapter 38, San Antonio Chapter	100.00
Chapter 40, Alabama Chapter	50.00
Chapter 41, Dallas Chapter	362.79
Chapter 45, Citrus Chapter	15.00
Chapter 53, Sun Coast Chapter	350.00
Chapter 55, Wisconsin Chapter	100.00
Chapter 59, Central Illinois Chapter	3.00

QCWA MEMORIAL FUND REPORT (CONT.)

Chapter 60, Eastern Tennessee Chapter	25.00
Chapter 77, Northern New Jersey Chapter	200.00
Chapter 81, Long Island Chapter	150.00
Chapter 85, Ark-La-Tex Chapter	50.00
Chapter 90, Razorback Chapter	12.00
Chapter 91, Northern Virginia Chapter	94.50
Chapter 92, Northern Lights Chapter	2.00
Chapter 101, Coastal Bend Chapter	125.00
Chapter 104, Treasure State Chapter	85.00
Chapter 112, Yankee Chapter	70.00
Chapter 113, Mid-South Chapter	50.00
Chapter 115, Chattanooga Chapter	20.00
Chapter 116, Central Virginia Chapter	27.00
Chapter 118, Coastal Carolina Chapter	38.00
Chapter 123, Lee DeForest Chapter	5.00
Chapter 126, Piedmont North Carolina Chapter	60.00
Chapter 133, Magnolia Chapter	100.00
Chapter 134, Pine Tree Chapter	70.00
Chapter 138, Central New Jersey Chapter	10.00
Total	\$6528.29

It must be noted that this sum cannot be considered as a separate income item since many of the gifts included in it are included elsewhere as individuals gifts and simply attributed to the Chapter when the members gift so requested us to do so.

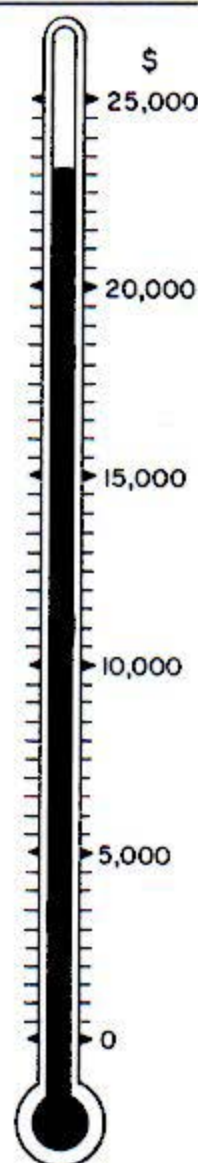
Through the efforts of so many of you - members making gifts, those actively working to get us excited about QCWA Memorial Fund work, Chapter Committees who have pitched in, we have, at the end of December, 1982, reached a grand total of:

\$ 23,234.05

in the QCWA FUND. It is most probable that we will make our first goal of \$25,000 very early in 1983. The formal announcement will appear in the HLR when it happens. This will permit the MEMORIAL FUND to carry on, in perpetuity, the good work envisioned by the Board of Directors who, in 1977, had the vision to see and the will to establish this fine Memorial to all QCWA Silent Key Members.

- WSEJ -

And, speaking of the Scholarship Fund, the man who has worked almost six years to bring us to the point we now enjoy, pictured below Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ. The picture, taken by John Bush, W4FOD, shows, L-R, Jean Wolff, LX1JW; Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ and Harry Legler, W0PB, enjoying breakfast at the July 24, '82 ARRL/QCWA Breakfast, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

QCWA
FEVER GAUGE

NORTHERN LIGHTS CHAPTER QCWA (92)

The annual meeting of Northern Lights Chapter 92 was held November 6, 1982. There were about 20 persons present... Due to transportation difficulties for the first time there were no members present from Fairbanks. After an enjoyable dinner the business meeting was held and Officers for 1983 were elected:

Charles Sappah, KL7PJ, Pres.
Mary Olendorf, KL7BJD, V. P.
Albert Pacheco, KL7EKZ, Secty and Treasurer.

After the business meeting, John Trent, KL7DG, gave a short talk on his recent trip to Japan, during which he and his xyl, Marcie, who, incidentally is a world class runner in her age group, participated in an international marathon there. Marcie finished first in her class. John pulled up in the rear, yodeling as he ran. Incidentally, John runs for fun and cares little where he finishes. While there they met several JA's and had a great time visiting.

Three new members were enrolled during the Chapter meeting.



Pictured above, V.P., Mary, KL7BJD & Al, KL7EKZ, Chapter Secretary/Treas.

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The QCWA Memorial Fund was begun by the QCWA Board at its July, 1977 meeting. It got off to a shaky start simply because none of us knew where we were going and more importantly, how to get there. But, the Board had mandated action, the course was set and if we squiggled about a bit, it was alright as long as there was visible progress.

Within a few months of the Fund formation, Leo Meyerson, W0GFQ, was asked to Chair a committee to see what could be done to get things moving. He has done that and done it well. Each year the growth has increased and we are about to achieve our first goal, an escrow account of \$25,000..! The Fund has come of age!

The Memorial Fund is a three-way means of helping to make QCWA a great and good organization. By contributing of ourselves to a fine cause, we stand tall and more proudly. In making our contributions we have spoken lovingly of our memories of old friends and, in doing these we are made able to lend a helping hand to young men and women!

- WSEJ -

GERMAN CHAPTER (106)

On Friday afternoon, November 19, 1982, quite a lot of old-timers were invited to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the DARC headquarters building in Baunatal, near the City of Kassel, Hessen, West Germany. Many of the hams attending the meeting were QCWA members. In the picture below, center, seated, is Hans, DL1YA, at his left, Jean, LX1JK and at his right, Gerd, DL3ME, newly named Director for QCWA. Much old time ham radio equipment beginning with 1924, was on display.



HIGHLANDS CHAPTER (121)

Thirty-five members and guests attended the December 2nd meeting at the Ohmaha Family Steakery, in Sebring. President Selwyn Urband, W8OKW, opened the meeting and called on Jim F. Jones, N4XV, Chairman of the Nominating Committee for his report. Jim stated that he was speaking for the Committee in nominating Phil McMasters, W4BCZ for President, Sel Urband, W8OKW as Vice President (to have continuity in officers) and an active YL, Meg Hennon, K4HSC, as secretary Treasurer. A motion to accept the committee report was adopted and Sel then called on Phil to introduce our speakers.

International QCWA Treasurer, W4COW, Wes Randles and his good YF, Blanche, W4GXZ, First President of the QCWA Chapter and now President of the FLORIDORAS (a 25-year Womens Ham Club and Net). Wes gave the group a highlight of the new Communications Act as it relates to Amateurs and also the actions of the last Board meeting of QCWA.

Phil, W4BCZ

COLORADO CHAPTER (58)

The Year 1982 was a time of good activity and growth for Colorado Chapter 58. Our membership grew to a total of 125 members and includes 20 Life Members.

It was also a year of sadness, when three of our members became Silent Keys. Those passing on are:

George P. Bonham, W0BNH
Norman Caudle, W0IVC
Roy Green, W0LYJ

all members were very active in amateur radio and will be missed by our Chapter and the Ham community in the Denver Area.

1983 is expected to be a very busy year for us as we plan the activities for the QCWA National Convention in the Fall. Sol Abramowitz, W0WSK, is the Chairman for this Convention, and has already formulated many plans. We hope to set up a convention program for OM's and YL's that will please everyone.

Harold, W0LYB

FORT WORTH CHAPTER (72)

Fort Worth Chapter (72) resumes its regular meetings at Colonia Cafeteria on Roger Road, in Forrest Park. All QCWA members are welcomed to these 12 noon meetings.

The Chapter reports the passing of Lee Caudry, NSASV. Lee was originally licensed as 5CO, about 1924, but had dropped out of amateur radio until his retirement from Texas Electric Service Company where he had worked for 40 years. Lee passed away January 14. He will be missed by his many friends in the Chapter.

Don Simmonds, K5BDX, of Springtown, is a new Chapter member. He has operated VP2MFL on Montserrat, AB2, EA9 and many others. Welcome, Don!!

Jerry, K5JGS

One of the very most important things you can do is to join a Chapter, take part in its activities, help to plan its picnics, get-togethers and social affairs. First, you're in good company and second, it's just plain fun.

In this connection, be sure that you support the Chapter - Chapter dues are used for all sorts of member services...flowers, mailings, etc. Your membership dues help keep it going!

PINE TREE CHAPTER

Pine Tree Chapter held its Christmas meeting at Helm Restaurant, in Bangor, ME, December 11, 1982.

At the September 18, meeting in Waterville, with great entertainment by Jean Shepherd, K2ORS. At that event, Bernie, W1EZR, was awarded his 50-Year Golden Certificate. During June, at Marshview, George Sterling, W1AE was awarded his 70-year certificate and Don, W1BYK, his 60 year Award.

Chapter Membership has increased to 72 at the time of the December bulletin.

DOGWOOD CHAPTER (98)

Ernie Savage, VE7FB, in cooperation with President Max Green, has prepared the following report on activities with Dogwood Chapter during 1982.

The Chapter holds breakfasts on the last Saturday of the month. The host is a different member each time, and they invite the Chapter to their restaurant. Some times we have to drive 50 miles, or it could be local. The nine breakfasts we have had this year we have been averaging thirty-five members and guests. All in all it has been a fun time.

The Christmas Party at the Blue Boy Hotel was a roaring success, with forty-six boys and girls enjoying their choice of ham or half-chicken. Mrs. Alice Sibson again outdid herself by looking after the program and prizes. Leon, VE7MI, showed slides of their round-the-world tour.

Al Miller, VE7KC, Vice President Interior and Bert Thorburn, VE7HW, arranged a breakfast party in Vernon. Sixteen members and guests enjoyed the morning. Al Miller is now arranging for a summer get-together in Penticton, for the Dogwood Chapter members and guests. This is before the annual International Okanagan Hamfest week-end. We understand following that will be the ARRL Northwestern Division Convention in Spokane, WA...so, it looks like a busy summer for us.

To All QCWA'ers, everywhere, a Happy and Best New Year.

Ernie, VE7FB

QCWA ELECTION INFORMATION

OFFICIAL QCWA SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION 1983

During the summer of 1982, and into the Fall, QCWA Nominating Committee members, headed by Mr. Ed Webb, W9IPO, completed a slate of nominees for offices to which members will be elected during 1983. A list of those named as nominees was published in QCWA's NEWS, Volume 31, No. 3, Page 77.

At that time members of QCWA were urged to submit petitions of nomination for the various offices to which candidates had been named by the Committee... In response to this announcement, additional candidates have been nominated by members and in every case the nominations have been approved by QCWA Secretary, Max Arnold, W4WHN.

Those who have signified their desire to serve and their willingness to take part in QCWA meetings and to accept the duties of office, if elected are:

OFFICERS

For President	-	Stuart Meyer, W2GKH	*
For V. Pres.	-	Leland Smith, W5KL	*
For Treasurer	-	Wes Randles, W4COW	*
For Secretary	-	Max Arnold, W4WHN	*

DIRECTORS

For Director	-	George Apfel, W2GHV	+
For Director	-	Harry Dannals, W2HD	+
For Director	-	Ero Erickson, KA9DYS	+
For Director	-	Esther Given, W6BDE	+
For Director	-	Gordon Henry, W7RIR	+
For Director	-	Ron Hesler, VE1SH	*
For Director	-	Wade Holland, W4AZT	*
For Director	-	Gerhard Jacoby, DL3ME	*
For Director	-	John Kanode, N4MM	@
For Director	-	Lew McCoy, W1ICP	+
For Director	-	Leo Meyerson, W8CFQ	*
For Director	-	Art Miligan, W8KW	+
For Director	-	Hal Sears, W5NC	+
For Director	-	Clarence Seid, W2KW	@
For Director	-	Ethel Smith, K4LMB	*
For Director	-	Jim Walsh, W7LVN	+

Please note that the Nominating Committee did name Mr. Sam Moses, W1ASD as a candidate for Office. Sam has passed away since his selection as a candidate.

The coding at the right of each name signifies as

- * Presently serving as Officer/Director QCWA
- +- Candidate nominated by Nominating Committee
- @- Candidate nominated by Member petition

The candidates for Officers are running unopposed. Members were urged to nominate candidates for the offices, but apparently none were willing to make the plunge.

There are sixteen Official candidates for the Directorships in QCWA. From this group ten are to be elected to office.

For the 1983 election only, and upon special rule covering this election, those ten candidates having the greatest number of ballots cast for them will be elected to office. Of the ten elected, the 5 with the highest number of ballots will be elected to serve for 2 years. The 5 with the next lowest number of ballots cast for them will serve

for one year. This was required to permit setting up the system where only 5 candidates for Directorships are elected each year. In 1984 there will be an election in which only 5 directors are to be elected. In 1985 there will be an election where all Officers and five directors will be elected...

The ballots will be prepared as a part of QCWA NEWS for the summer of 1983. Ballots will be printed and will be accompanied by a short biography or statement prepared by each candidate together with a recent picture. The by-laws are set up so that the ballot will be mailed by May 15. The polls close on August 1, 1983 and the General Manager will notify all candidates of the results of the election no later than August 15, 1983. Officers and Directors will be inaugurated into office at the QCWA National Convention to be held in Denver during September, 1983.

In the interest of fairness to all candidates who are now running for office, no further mention is to be made as to incumbency or mode of nomination. For the record, all present Officers and Directors are listed on the frontispiece of QCWA NEWS and in the ballot edition (Summer, 1983) of QCWA NEWS, we will refer to this story as well as others that may be pertinent. Keep your NEWS for reference if you need them.

QCWA is the most fortunate in the World---we have a slate of candidates with experience and worldliness and who represent every facet of American life. We are proud of each and every one and wish the very best for them...and, we extend our thanks to each for their willingness to run and to serve!

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

WA9EPL, Stuart Oserman, MD, explains hypertension at the January 25, 1982 Chicago Area QCWA Chapter dinner meeting. Listening intently with apparent satisfaction is Mr. Jack Chichester, W9AMP, of Rock Island, IL, who was involved in setting up the Richard G. Chichester Memorial Fund to financially aid students through college. The fund, administered by the Foundation For Amateur Radio (FAR) of Washington, DC, requires that the applicant be a licensed radio operator and a member of an ARRL affiliated radio club. When Oserman applied in 1973, forty-one other amateurs entered the competition. Oserman was picked and now ten years later he is a qualified medical doctor. Oserman was recently married and supports a wife who is a medical doctor, plus being a radio amateur operator. Mrs. Chichester, at left, is a scuba diver and takes frequent trips with her husband to explore the floor of the caribbean sea.



- Picture by Ero, KA9DYS -

SMALL AND LARGE GIFTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME FOR THE QCWA MEMORIAL FUND.



Thanks to all the nice people who sent birthday congratulations to the bookworm. A very thoughtful gesture, indeed. Actually she doesn't have a name of her own yet. She won't receive that until she has completed the cocoon stage. Of course, in the mean time, she has her family name in Latin, Genus Ex-Libris. To the one K4 that sent the gift, thank you, but I think not....family magazine and all that.

This issue we are examining two books by QCWA members--one a hard, factual account, the other purely fictional. Additionally, we finish off with the best fun book that I have read in a long time.

FERRY COMMAND, Don McVicar, VE2KW (QCWA 15,408), Airline Publishing, Ltd. Shrewsbury (England), 1981, 213 pp., photographs, map.

A real life account of the aeronautics of early WW-II days. This is not the usual account of bomber and fighter missions. This is the story of getting tools to do the job--delivery of military aircraft to the battle fronts.

Really there are two phases to Mr. McVicar's first hand account of the effort. The first phase is the story of the development of a North Atlantic route to Europe with over-ocean hops within the cruising range of 1940 aircraft. The second phase is the detailing of the very earliest self-flight deliveries of the latest-model aircraft to distant fighting fronts almost as fast as they came off the assembly line.

In developing an Arctic route to Europe for the short-hop aircraft of the day, McVicar and his associates were working almost blind in a treacherous region. Navigational aids were minimal and of doubtful dependability. Living conditions were uncomfortable at the best. The flight conditions were hazardous; that was the normal thing. In spite of these obstacles, two routes through Goose Bay, Newfoundland--Greenland, and through Ruffin Island--Greenland, Iceland to Prestwick in Scotland were successfully developed.

The delivery phase of Mr. McVicar's flying involves flights to far-off places with exotic names. It also involves direct contact with people whose interest in the war was confined to buying and selling of strategic information. There is one incident here which reads as though it might have come straight out of the life of Mata Hari. Mr. McVicar unloaded a complete package of the best misinformation obtainable at that point.

Throughout the book, the author has intermingled rather personal details of his very active social life along with his account of the war effort. Hypocrisy is totally foreign to Mr. McVicar, I would like to think that the book could be read in the same spirit in which it was written.

It might be noted that the author is referred to as Mr. McVicar. We might have expected some impressive military rank, but these men were civilian employees of various ferry commands.

All that is required is a reasonable interest in the aviation exploits of the period, and you've got yourself a hum-dinger: honest, complete, factual.

SERPENT ON THE HILL' Philip Eliot (pseudo.), Dallas Publishing, Inc., 1982, 249 pp. Mr. Eliot is a Radio Amateur and a member of QCWA.

Serpent on the Hill is an international-intrigue-spy/girl-boy plot. It is very much in the vein of Larry Collins, Dominique LaPierre, et al, but on a somewhat reduced scale.

In between the opening in the usual cafe on the Champs-Elysees to the rather tragic ending of the story, the principals, Tanya and Norman follow a devious and broken trail to the end of proving the identity of a high-level security-leaking official.

There is one phase of the book that interests us particu-

larly, and then again, perhaps interests us not: Electronic surveillance and communication equipment play roles as rather important props in the sense of stage props. Here the author is faced with a bit of a dilemma. He needs something rather out of the ordinary to heighten the drama and yet he can't reach into his memory and bring forth actual equipment that he has known (He was a CIA agent, but under his real name--or at least another name). Therefore, he must invent some electronic gadgetry. This gadgetry will probably sound reasonably convincing to the general readership, but I am presently writing to people who are quite sophisticated in these matters, and I'm afraid that some of this is going to be a bit unconvincing to you. However, in the conflicting circumstances in which he writes, the author's compromise solution is perhaps not unreasonable.

The writing style is about what would be expected in a book of this genre. Certain passages must be marked with a good solid R-rating.

Serpent on the Hill won't change the course of history, but if you enjoy yarns of this type, it will certainly fill up an evening or two with some pretty active entertainment.

THE GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY, Michael Crichton, Bantam Books, New York (original publication by Knopf.), \$1.95 (reduced from \$2.95).

This one is for the sheer fun of reading. Michael Crichton is good--really good--after all he wrote THE ANDROMEDA STRAIN which will stand, I think, as one of the finest pieces of Science Fiction, for some time to come. But this book is not for serious; as I said, it's for fun. It was so much fun that my XYL and I had to set down some library rules about it. Like: 1) If you lay the book down, you've lost title to it. 2) The book may not be taken into any room equipped with plumbing.

The plot is as hoary as railroads themselves (this is circa 1855). However, the plot development is magnificent. The pieces and characters interlock together like the works in a Swiss watch. To do a really believable bit of fiction, a reasonable number of characters must be built into it just as a factory must have a number of workers; a church or lodge, members; a team, players. These characters are put there to carry out the intricacies of the plot.

Far, far too many authors put their characters through just these motions and nothing more. They act out their bits in the piece to perfection, period. Beyond this, nothing, just as puppets have no life apart from the string pulls. And hence, are as unbelievable as the puppets. Real persons, in real life, are not like that at all. In addition to adding part JF704b to a subassembly III, or playing third base, or selling lipsticks or whatever, people in real life are forever thinking of personal angles. Anything from families to bowling; dates to affairs; fishing; six packs. To some wicdus even to Amateur Radio. This is what I meant earlier when I used the word interlock. To be believable, in even the unrealness that we all acknowledge exists in fiction, the subplots must fit together and there must be purpose in their so fitting. This is precisely what Crichton has captured in this little gem. To us (my XYL agrees), it was sheer fascination to watch the bits and pieces drop into place.

The whole jig-saw puzzle that emerges is logical enough to win the "might have been so" prize. The plot needs no

PALMETTO CHAPTER ISSUES MOIS CERTIFICATE



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...have been Legally Separated from a portion of your Anatomy by a duly Qualified Surgeon, and having Successfully Survived said Pruning, are hereby Awarded this Passport to Future Health and Happiness. Be it also Known that there is hereby conferred upon you the Honorary Degree of M.O.I.S. which makes you a Lifetime Member of the

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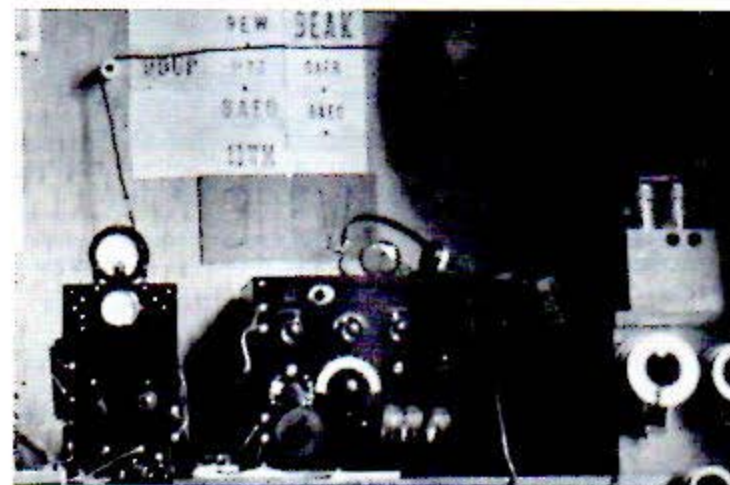
said Membership insuring you with the Right, on all Occasions, to Talk about your Operation to the Exclusion of Aimless Chatter by Others on Subjects which are not Pertinent thereto, and furthermore, you are Privileged Discreetly to Display in Confidence the Physical Evidence of your Surgeon's Handiwork, provided only that your Incision lies North of the Epiglottis or South of the Petella, all other areas being Privy to the Practitioner to whom you accorded the High Honor of Performing your Operation



Presented on this _____ Day of _____, 19____ with the Heartiest Congratulations of:

Cecil Sills, W4HDO, came up with the certificate above prepared to console those whose anatomy has been modified with or without the consent... To Cecil & Palmetto Chapter, TNX!

Howard E. Jones, WB6IXO, sent in the picture below.... of his rig about 1922 or so when he was 9DEW, in Clarkson, NE. Some of the cards on the wall may not reproduce well, so we list the calls: 9DWP, 9EW, 9TZ, 9AED, 9BWX, 9EAK, 9EFR and 9AEC... some we can't read too well in the original picture. Note the honeycomb coils in the receiver, and at the lower right, additional coils for VLF ranges. Right above the spare coils you can spot the old Willard wet-cells used to provide 48 volts of rechargeable DC!



D.L.L.'s CORNER, CONTINUED

more explaining than by the book's title.

The story is told in the scene of Victorian England and the book abounds with tongue-in-cheek commentary on the life, morality and mores of the period. The aside references to the customs and beliefs of the age are as much fun as the plot itself.

It has been my pleasure to write reviews on books of instruction, scientific advancement, the history of our art, a smack or two of the economic picture, who-done-its, biography, animal husbandry. I enjoyed doing the serious ones, but this is our hour to just plain old have fun. If there is anything left in you that still like to laugh, buy this one, even if you have already seen the picture.

- Bud -

SCHEDULED QCWA ON-THE-AIR MEETINGS REPORTED

1 Cleveland	Wed	2000L	WBADW	19/79
	Wed	2030L	WBEPW	28625
2 Chicago Area	Wed	2000Z	W9DZG	7073
	Thu	0000Z	W9DZG	3590
4 Northwest Chapter	Sun	0830		3655
	Sun	1200		3950
6 Pittsburgh	Sun	0830	W3LGD	63/03
	Sun	0915	W3LGD	3910
7 SOCAL	Sun	0800	W6INH	3917
	Sun	0900	W6FQ	3917
	Sun	1100	K6BA	3695
9 Dayton/Cincy	Sun	1300		3986
10 Michigan	Sun	0800	W8CAM	3903
11 NOCAL	Sun	0930	KA6PB	25/85
12 SE FL	Wed	0900		
14 San Diego	Wed	2000		28600
15 Tulsa	Sun	0645L	W5FU	3830
	Sun	0930L	W5FU	7156
	Sun	0730	W5KMF	3892
16 Arizona	Sun	2100L		28650
20 Baltimore	Mon	0845L	W1DJ	
24 New England	Sun	0900		3980
25 Nebraska	Sat	2000L	W5CCD	3876
27 Houston	Thu	0930		3920
32 Gator	Sat	1900L		
36 NW Indiana	Wed	2030L		28650
38 San Antonio	Sun	0730L	W5ZKM	3835
41 Dallas	Thu	1900	W210E	825/225
45 Citrus	Sat	0900	W4PI	3955
	Sat	1300Z	K4VN	3832
49 Atlanta	Sun	0800	W5CNO	3835
54 Tyler	Sun	0830		3985
55 Wisconsin	Sun	0900L		3905
58 Colorado	Sun	0930L		07/67
	Sun	2100Z	W4HBZ	3875
60 Eastern Tenn	Sun			3663
61 Detroit Metro	Sat	0900		7235
62 Suwannee	Sun	0830		3850
63 Central OKLA	Sat	0830L	W5NPI	3935
64 El Paso	Sun	1330L	W2SD	3900
65 Niagara Frontier	Sun	0900L		3773
73 Southern Ontario	Sun	1300L		7090
	Sat	0830L		3917
75 Cen Cal Coast	Sun	1300	W2OJW	3917
77 NNJ	Sun	1130L	W2SF	3917
81 LIQCWA	Mon	1930	W5RHE	28/88
84 Florida	Sun	0700		3985
87 Evergreen	Sat	1700		3927
89 Palmetto	Sun	1800	W5MYZ	3907
90 Razorback	Sat	1100		7230
96 Gateway	Sat	1000L	W7OIO	7240
104 Treasure State	Sat	1000L		7240
107 Central Florida	Sun	0830	W5MD	7238
109 Baton Rouge	Sun	0830		3903
112 Yankee	Fri	1000L	W4OMI/YEL04/64	
113 Memphis	Sat	0830	W5GPO	3943
114 NOTEX	Daily	0930		01/61
116 Central VA	Mon	2015		28/88
118 Coastal Carolina	Tue	1900Z		14295
120 QCWA	Sun	0930L		3915
122 Lake Erie T-S	Wed	1930L		75/15
125 Halifax	Sun	0900L	W4QI	3935
126 Piedmont	Sat	1000L		3930
128 Pelican				13/73
129 Waco	Sat	1600Z		3912
130 Inland Empire	Sun	1400L		3942
134 Pine Tree	Tue	2200L	W2DME	147.045
138 Central NJ	Sun	1230L	W4PI	7253
FL SSB	Wed	1330L	W4PI	7035

LISTINGS HEREIN ARE UP TO DATE, WE THINK, BUT THEN, SOMEONE ALWAYS POINTS OUT THAT WE DID IT WRONG LAST TIME, AND NOW AGAIN THIS TIME, AND WHEN IN H..... ARE YOU GOING TO GET US ON THE AIR IN THE RIGHT PLACE, THE RIGHT DAY AND TIME?

IF YOU'RE NOT IN THIS LIST, DROP A LINE TO HQ, WE'LL DO OUR BEST TO GET IT MESSED UP.

- Ted, W5EJ -

CLEVELAND CHAPTER (1)

Had one of our meetings on the west side of Cleveland on November 17, 1982, at the Rhinelander. Twenty-three members and guests attended. H. Flanders gave us a fine talk on fibre optics.

Something new has happened for Cleveland. We now have a net that starts before our regular net on 28625, using the H.E.R.O. repeater on 146.19/79, starting at 8PM EST, on each Wednesday. Net control is W8ADW, Fred Collins, and alternate net control is Clyde Rothstein, W8QIM. W8EPW is still net control on ten meters.



In the picture above, L-R, are, George Wagstaff, W8AZW, Vice President; George Riehl, W8NJF, Secretary; Jack Goldbarb, W8WGO, President and Paul Cornell, W8EPW, 10 meter net control.

- George, W8NJF -

NORTHWEST OHIO CHAPTER (142)

Now that the rush and work required to start and organize a new QCWA Chapter has slowed down, I can finally write and inform you of how we are doing. At the present time we have twenty-four members and new hams showing up at every meeting. We now have a constitution that has been approved and the initial Officers have been elected for 1983. Al Cooper, W8BHL and myself are not surprised at the response we have had to the formation of an active Chapter in the Toledo, OH area. To give you an idea of our group, the picture below has been taken of the group present at the Charter meeting.



L-R, 1st row: Juanita Grice, XYL of W8BCQ; Dottie Higgins, W8RZN; Chuck Stuart, W8AN; Fay Stuart, K8BOF; Clayton Grice W8BCQ; Bob Taylor, W8CBA; Liz and Steve Taylor, XYL & son of W8CBA. 2nd row: Bert Rotsinger, W8OBI; Dan Shepard, W8IEP. 3rd row: Al Cooper, W8BHL; Joe Nyitray, W8LNV; Jim Purdy, W8RF; Lorene Bixler, K8EOC; Martha Hanna, XYL of K8ADK; Bob Hanna, K8ADK; Gertrude Ingle, XYL of K8INI. 4th row: Walt Bettinger, W8XXN; Ken Wright, W8NOT; Jim Bixler, W8BJM; Dave Alexander, W8GD; Paul Lentz, K8PL; Francis Freppel, W8JJK; Bill Nixon, K8IOF.

- Bob Taylor, W8CBA -

PELICAN CHAPTER (138)

Pelican Chapter held its Christmas Party December 15, '82 at the Sea Ketch Restaurant with 46 members and guests at the affair. Ladies prepared and served delicious snacks prior to the luncheon. In the business portion of the meeting, Officers for 1983 were elected, as follows:

Jack Mandel, W4PLW, President
Jack Whitley, W4CZS, Vice President
Art Monsees, W4BK, Secretary
Phil Stern, WA4ZVO, Treasurer

Directors elected were: Bill Franklin, W4KC; Buck Lewis, W4BV; Lew Sieck, K4NE; Reg Iversen, K4QZ; Herm Witman, K4EGM.

Art Monsees, W4BK, was awarded a plaque in recognition of his years of work for the National Organization as QCWA treasurer. Appropriately the award was made by Wes Randles W4COW, present treasurer of QCWA.

Pelican Chapter will have the NCS responsibilities for the Florida Net during January...7253 kHz at 12:30PM. The next Chapter meeting was scheduled for January 19, 1983.

Pictured below, at left, Wes Randles making presentation of a plaque honoring Art Monsees, W4BK (at left) and in recognition of his many years of dedication to QCWA, and work as Treasurer of the organization.

Art is operational on all bands...watch for him...and now has a new job as Secretary of Pelican Chapter!



CENTRAL VIRGINIA CHAPTER (116)

The Central Virginia Chapter had a very nice Christmas luncheon on December 4th, 1982, in Lynchburg, with nine members and five wives present. No formal meeting was held and there was no special program scheduled for the gathering. All had a nice time, and the turnout was good considering that the Retired Hams of Lynchburg were meeting on the following Tuesday, and the Christmas Dinner for the Lynchburg Amateur Radio Club was being held on the following Friday. Lots of ham activity in the area.

Those present at the meeting were: Joe Guthrie, W4KNC; Tilly Tillotson, W4OKN; Ev Vatcher, K4CQ and XYL; George Hayner, N4DVR and XYL; John Bush, W4FOD and XYL N4BVP; Edwin Bernet, WA4UPI; David O. Guthrie, K4QX; Roy Hopkins, K4MUW and XYL and George Rulffs, Jr., AA4GR and XYL.

The next Chapter meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 5, 1983.

- George, AA4GR -

COASTAL CAROLINAS CHAPTER (118)

Bob Johnson, AA4L, has taken over the preparation of the Chapter newsletter...says he and the IBM computer have had a couple of good wrestling matches, but that he thinks he's winning. Good letter!

The winter meeting was scheduled for January 22, at Greenville, NC. The program has been arranged by W4OMW and W4UTO and a large turnout is expected.

- Bob, AA4L -

ATLANTA CHAPTER (49)



Atlanta Chapter held its Christmas meeting on Friday, December 3rd. It is at this meeting that election of Officers for the coming year is held. Those elected for the 1983/1984 period were:

Ed Mitchell, W4JAO, President
John Bunting, W4NET, Vice President
Bill Scott, W4UVP, Secy/Treasurer

Tom Kelley, K4IRD and Clay Griffin, W4DXI, were elected Chapter Directors.

Twenty-three members and guests were in attendance. Following the election activities and a short business meeting, those present enjoyed a PANATA Christmas celebration and exchanged gifts. After many mighty swings at the mighty little bull, the last blow executed



by the out-going Chapter President, W4DQT, opened the mis-used bull and candy fell all about. The bull, shown at right, was patched up for the pix.

In the picture above, the shack and rig of K4VN who has, with few exceptions called the Atlanta Chapter 49 Net every Saturday, since June 27, 1976. The alternate net control is W4BIW!

Atlanta Chapter sends New Year Greetings to all QCWA Members and best wishes for the biggest and best year QCWA has ever enjoyed.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER 2

Ero Erickson, President of the Chapter sent an interesting story about the early days in Police Radio... "Almost 50 years ago things in Police radio weren't very busy, in 1936 at the Illinois State Police station WQPS, at Springfield. There was an appalling lack of paperwork and the operator spent much of his time playing ping-pong. The crew was under constant pressure to keep abreast of the time announcements, on the hour and half-hour, which had to be entered in the log. All meters had to be read and logged every hour like they used to be in broadcast service. The Western Electric 1 kW AM transmitter was modified from broadcast usage and moved down to 1610 kHz. Interference? Well, there was no one else on the frequency.

Governor Henry Horner, a bachelor with dull evenings would some times drop in and sit in the operators chair to check if he could see the tower. He couldn't, so a pair of full-length mirrors were installed so that one could see around the transmitter and through the window. This was to protect the tower from Delling er, the gangster, from blowing up the antenna. A shot-gun was provided for the radio operator. The door had a gun-port, but it was later discovered that the shot-gun couldn't reach the tower anyway, so it was used only on New Years eve to celebrate. After WW-II, a rifle was issued, but the operators had become too busy to worry about the tower.

The place is now a stock room at 601 Sangamon Avenue, near the Fair Grounds." The story was prepared by Ero on behalf of his duties as a member of the Historical Committee of the Illinois Chapter of APCO.

Chapter news has it that a few members had not yet paid their Chapter dues (1982) and Ken Rowe requested some help in getting that straightened out. Ken is retiring as treasurer after six years and, Ero is retiring as President of the Chapter after two terms. Ed Kelly, W9HEW will take over the reins as Prexy and Jim Rubens, W9MPE, of Joliet, is now acting as Secretary. "QCWA has improved substantially in principle, with advent of our Scholarship Fund, which aids students earning their credentials for an electronic career..."

- Ero, KA9DYS -

DAYTON-CINCINNATI CHAPTER (9)

The Dayton-Cincinnati Chapter 9 held a dinner meeting January 20th, and had an election of officers. The newly elected officers are:

Carl J. Yeager, WSDWT, President
Cliff Keihl, W8NY, Vice President
Robert O. Wilson, W8JRN, Secy/Treasurer

The Dayton-Cincinnati Chapter will have a QCWA Banquet on Friday, April 29th, at the time of the Dayton Hamvention. It will be held at Neils Heritage House, 2189 South Dixie Avenue, in Dayton, OH 45409. The cost will be \$10.50 per person and advance registration is required. Send reservation requests to:

Robert O. Wilson, W8JRN
6521 Brantford Road, Dayton, OH 45414

The Chapter will be pleased to see a great group of QCWA members at the Banquet and Hamvention...make every effort to attend.

Howard Patrick, W7IDZ, sent the notice of the July, 1983, ARRL/QCWA meeting in Spokane. It is really the Northwestern Division Convention but Howards says QCWA will be there with a vintage radio booth and a QCWA Luncheon! You will want to attend it!

1983 ARRL
NORTHWESTERN DIVISION
CONVENTION
July 8-9-10, 1983
SPOKANE CONVENTION CENTER
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON



NEAL MCEWEN

We are all familiar with the name VIBROPLEX. Horace G. Martin gave us "THE VIBROPLEX" in 1904. He later adopted the name "bug" for his semi-automatic keys. Vibroplex and bug are synonymous and inseparable. There were, however, dozens of other makers of speed keys. Biggest and best known among the 'others' was McElroy.

Old timers will remember Ted McElroy. Theodore Roosevelt McElroy was Mr. CW. In the twenties and thirties he was the world's champion radio telegrapher. At his first competition in 1922, he beat all challengers with a copying speed of 56 wpm. He was beaten in 1934, but regained the championship in 1935. At the last official competition in 1939, in Ashville, NC, he won with a speed of 77 wpm. His record is unchallenged and remains to this day.

McElroy was born and grew up in the Boston area. In the seventh grade, he took a typing class and learned to type 150 wpm. This phenomenal rate surely contributed to his success at copying code. At age 14, he became a messenger boy for Western Union. The operators taught him the land-line code and at age 15, he was working the wires. Eventually he progressed to the top circuits before going to operate at Camp Devins during WW-I.

Soon after the war, McElroy went to work for WSO, one of RCA's transoceanic wireless stations. He worked the Morse lines until he learned the Continental Code, necessary for radio work. Until 1920, he worked the circuits to POZ, in Nauyas, Germany and LCN, in Stavanger, Norway, keying the big Alexanderson alternator rock crushers on 20,000 meters.

McElroy returned to Boston to work for Western Union once again. In 1922 he entered his first code-copying contest and wond hands down. From then on he was untouchable. He became the world's undisputed best at American Morse code, International Morse code and the Japanese Kana Kana code. He also won championships in typing.

In 1934, McElroy started his own business manufacturing telegraph equipment. The first key to come out of the McElroy factory was called the MAC-KEY (Fig. 1). The base, mainframe and damper post were a one-piece casting. This design helped to eliminate vibration and frequent adjustments. The Tee-Bar across the top of the frame served several purposes. First, it was an integral part of the frame holding the trunion pin. Second, it provided a convenient means for the professional operator to carry his key to and from a shift. The fingers were merely curled under the bar and the key lifted. Third, it allowed the key to be turned on its side. Once the pendulum was locked with the damper post clip, the MAC could be used as a hand-key. A serial number was put on the label to assist the operator in identifying his key.



The MAC-KEY, later version, shown above, was used by Dr. R. R. Schellenbach, WJF.

The MAC-KEYS were in fact very fine instruments. Many professionals as well as amateurs preferred them over other popular makes of the period. They were heavy and rugged and once adjusted required little maintenance. Many MAC-KEYS are still in service today.

One of the McElroy refinements in design was his "dot stabilizer". This was a small assembly fitted to the pendulum, which preloaded the dot spring. This slight amount of preloading gave smoother and better weighted dots.

The MAC-KEY was the first of many models. In 1937, a modified design was introduced. Several of the new Models were listed in the December, 1937, issue of QST. These keys were labeled with an inscription attesting to the skill of the maker. The top-of-the-line-model had a simulated marble finish base and chrome upper parts. This deluxe model sold for \$9.50. The standard model had a black wrinkle finish and nickled upper parts. It sold for \$7.50. The Junior model had the same working parts as the Standard, but was on a stamped steel base and sold for \$4.95. Even though other manufacturers were doing so, McElroy preferred not to make a chrome base model. "I know as an operator of about 25 years experience that it is very poor practice to have a chrome or nickel-plated base on a key. Light reflection from such a base is a severe strain on an operator's eyes." (taken from a 1938 McElroy flyer.) There were also four models of hand keys ranging in price from \$1.20 to \$2.25. Again, these were very fine instruments.

Just before WW-II, the famous McElroy teardrop appeared. These keys are popular collectors items because of the unusual shape of the base. It resembles a flatiron or teardrop. It was available with platinum contacts for the very competitive price of \$11.85. The model with silver contacts was slightly less. A lot of CW men thought McElroy's sanity should be questioned because of the unconventional design. However, in spite of all the cat-calls, this was one of the finest handling semiautomatics ever built. A line of hand-keys with the teardrop shaped base also appeared at this time.

In the late thirties, McElroy traveled the country giving code copying demonstrations. He loved to put on a show and trived on the attention. One of his favorite tricks was to stop in the middle of a high speed run, drink a glass of water, and resume copy without missing any text. McElroy worked with Walter Candler, giving demonstrations and teaching the Candler method.

During WW-II, McElroy made telegraph apparatus for Uncle Sam. Ted and his "Gang" produced more such gear for the Allies than any other Company. They received the Army-Navy "E" Award for Excellence. Employees of the Company were able to complete contracts ahead of schedule and Ted rewarded his "Gang" with parties and jam sessions. Morale was high and the employees had fun.

After the War, McElroy continued to manufacture high-speed telegraph apparatus. In 1955, he sold the Company & went into semi-retirement. He later became a manufacturers representative and even dabbled in local politics. He passed away in his native Boston, in 1963.

This story of T. R. McElroy is by no means complete. It would take a book to tell the whole story. But, it is impossible to discuss the McElroy Keys without talking about the man himself. The MAC-KEYS were part of the life and legend of T. R. McElroy...and, each MAC-KEY is a memorial to the World's Champion Radio Telegrapher.

Many thanks to all the old-timers who took time to write after reading Part I of the K5RW Bug Collection. I learned of several home-made bugs, a left-handed bug and many many interesting stories concerning keys in general. My thanks to W6ZYR and K5TE, who informed me of bugs that I had never heard of...has anyone every heard of the Boulder Bug, made in Los Angeles, or the D & K Bug, made in

The KSRW BUG COLLECTION - Part II

Cleveland? Special thanks to W6ZYR, W2HRO and KA2FFI, who donated bugs to the collection. With this new-found knowledge, I now know of the existence of 35 makers of bugs. I'm sure there are more. Hopefully, time and research will turn up more names to add to the list. Thanks again for the encouraging letters. I enjoyed each of them!

- Neal, K5RW -

Editors note: PART I, of the BUG story appeared in QCWA NEWS, Volume 31, No. 3, Fall, 1982. You may contact Neal at:

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BALTIMORE, MD. CHAPTER (20)

The annual picnic of the Chapter was held in September at home of Camie Marie, W3EPR, with 46 members and guests present. As usual, the food and beverage was excellent and we are indebted to Camie and his assistants for their efforts and cooperation. The picture below shows the setting and some of those attending.



The Board voted to disburse \$100 from the treasury in support of the QCWA Memorial Fund, for which an acknowledging Certificate has been received.

Members of the Chapter meet on the air each Monday at 9PM on 28650 kHz. Informal dinner meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, at 6 PM. We encourage more members to participate in these popular events.

-Roland, W3WA-

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER (38)

This past year the Chapter has had good attendance, some almost perfect...Jim, W5ODD, Fuzzy, W5F2N, Dean, W5BGE, Les, W5BE, Frank, W5EDX, Bill, W5AET, Jim W5JC, John, K5DB missing very little.

The last meeting of the Chapter featured election of new Officers for the Chapter. The following were elected by acclaim:

Jim Smith, W5GSQ, President
Ralph Cole, W5THU, Vice President
Gus Gikas, W5HRF, Secretary
Johnny Brucmer, W5LVE, Treasurer

This looks like a good crew to lead us into 1983.

One of the Chapters members has an all-ham family. George Loos, W5LFG, XVI, Judy, KA5P and, Crystal, 9 years old has KA5PCF...Crystal also usurps her daddy's computer regularly too!

Since this is my last time to do the News, I want to tell everyone how much I've loved doing it. Thank each and all for your help and support. After 4 years I feel like I am leaving family behind, but I'll still help when and where needed. Please attend meetings and support your new officers!

Frances, W5KQC -

NORTHWEST INDIANA CHAPTER (36)

A 50th Anniversary Golden Award Banquet was held on October 10, 1982, at Vogels Restaurant, Whiting, IN, to honor 3 members of the Northwest Indiana Chapter (36) and 2 members of Chicago Area Chapter (2). Many thanks to the total of 78 members and spouses from both Chapters who made this banquet a huge success.



In the photo above, L-R, are: Gil Galambus, W9JZA, receiving his 50-Year Golden Award; Chapter President, John Spudic, W9NCB and Joe Cress, W9GRA, who presented "Special" awards to other QCWA Members in recognition of their "Questionable" and "Involuntary" contributions to Ham Radio. In the Photo below, Top row, receiving their Awards are, L-R: Andy Janiga, W9HPQ; Ike Eichorst, W9RUE; John Miller, W9PBS Frank Parkas, W9MJI; Wally Phillips, W9AVP; Ed Webb, W9IPO. In the bottom row, L-R are: Gil Galambus, W9JZA; Jack Stanton, W9PSP; Walt Laud, W9CU; Si Chaplan, W9CIB; Lou Williams, W9GSB. Chapter Mascot, 'Famous Amos' John Miller seeing-eye dog and 2nd operator, was unable to be present.



It is with much gratitude and pleasure that Northwest Indiana Chapter accepted its QCWA Banner, donated by Senior Member, Gilbert Galambus, W9JZA.

Gil received his ticket June 4, 1932, and has been continuously engaged in various Amateur Radio groups for 50 years. He was also the found of the original and still active Lake County Amateur Radio Club, and has been the inspiration and teacher for many years, to newcomers to Amateur Radio. His personal dedication and many contributions to the Art of Communications is well known throughout the Midwest and Nationwide. Gil received his Golden Award last October.

Members of Chapter 36 say "thanks, Gil, for your generous and outstanding gestured."

The Chapter welcomes new Member, George Oprisko, K9AAR, and wishes him a speedy recovery from recent surgery.

- Jim, W9QCN and John, W9NCB -

WE HAD AN UNPRECEDENTED RUN ON GOLDEN CERTIFICATES IN NOVEMBER/DECEMBER. AT THE SAME TIME MEMBERS WERE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE OLD DUES TO APPLY FOR EXTENSIONS. AND SO THE CERTIFICATES PILED UP. WE FINALLY COMPLETED SENDING THE 291st ABOUT JANUARY 25th. APOLOGIES FOR THE DELAYS.

- W5RC -

CURRENT FCC TOPICS

STU MEYER, W2GKH

USE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR AMATEUR EXAMINATIONS PROPOSED (PR DOCKET No. 83-27).

The Commission has proposed to authorize volunteers to prepare and administer examinations for amateur radio operator licenses above the Novice Class.

Written examinations for the Technician, General and Advanced licenses would be given by three-person teams consisting of a chief holding the Amateur Extra Class license and two members holding either Advanced or Extra Class Licenses. All three team members for an Amateur Extra Class exam would hold that class. Telegraphy exams above the novice level would be given by an Extra Class licensee.

No amateur owning a significant interest in or employed by a manufacturer or distributor of amateur station equipment or a publisher or distributor of a publication used in preparation for obtaining amateur licenses could be an examiner. An examiner could not be under 18 or related to any of the license candidates.

As proposed by the Commission, one or more national "umbrella" entities would be established to coordinate the efforts of volunteer examiners. The FCC anticipated that such organizations would coordinate and publicize dates, times and places for examinations. Candidates would be required to present completed application forms.

The examination team would certify and forward applications of successful candidates. Exam team chiefs would maintain files of test papers and pertinent information.

Interim amateur permits would be issued to successful candidates, entitling them immediately to operate their stations for up to 90 days with the privileges and limits of the new, higher license class.

The Commission in October 1982, proposed to amend its rules so that volunteer licensees of General Class or above who now prepare and administer slow-speed Morse code tests to Novice Class license candidates would also prepare written exams for the Novice license, based on the appropriate syllabus in the Study Guide, and conduct and grade them (PR Docket No. 82-727). That proposal would not be changed by the current action.

For further information contact John Borkowski, 202 632 4964

AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE WITHOUT MORSE CODE REQUIREMENT PROPOSED (PR DOCKET 83-28)

The Commission is seriously considering a new Technician Class license which would retain the other current requirements for that class: examination on basic law and rules essential to a beginners operations and sufficient elementary theory for their comprehension (Element 2 of the Amateur Radio Operators License Examinations) and general amateur practice- regulations on operations and apparatus and applicable laws, treaties and rules (Element 3). Those also are the examinations in theory, practice and regulations required for the General Class license.

The license would confer all operating privileges on all amateur frequencies above 50 MHz, as at present, including use of all emission modes.

The principal difference between a codeless Technician Class license and the alternative Experimenter Class license would be in the subjects and level of the written examination an applicant would be required to pass. For the Experimenter Class the Commission proposed a single new examination element, Element 5.

It asked for comments on the level at which the examination should test knowledge of regulations and theory. Suggesting that the new element might be composed of existing elements, it asked for comments on which elements should be contained or, alternatively, whether an entirely new syllabus should be developed.

The FCC proposed that the Experimenter Class license, if

HOW IT FEELS TO BE A "CLAY PIGEON"

BY FRANK BORSODY, K4EC

When, in World War-2, the Navy transferred me to Guam, I was assigned, at first, as assistant to and technical advisor to the Commanding Officer of Radio Station NPN. His headquarters were at the Barrigada transmitter site. It was an interesting layout, about 155 transmitters in a number of 40 by 100 foot Quonset huts scattered about. Many of the transmitters were of 50,000 watts output, and the familiar (from RCAC's Rocky Point transmitter station on Long Island) 600-ohm lines, two #6 wires 12 inches apart, abounded.

One set of antennas were suspended among three triangular lattice-work steel antenna towers each 300 feet high. These three towers were close to the headquarters area. Having climbed the tallest towers at Rocky Point and Tuckerton, a hobby of mine during the ten years 1926 to 1936 I worked for RCAC, what could be more natural than for me to climb one of the 300-foot towers to get a better view of the antenna field?

There was a simple reason nobody told me there were plenty of Jap hold-out soldiers still in the jungle around us: I didn't ask! So, I blithely set out climbing the nearest tower. It was triangular, with six-inch bolts sticking out at one corner, 90-degrees apart. When I attained the top, I got my panoramic view of NPN's antenna field, and more that I hadn't anticipated!

Suddenly, it seemed as if a swarm of bees were around me. Buzzing and whizzing sounds were all around me. It didn't take many microseconds for me to associate the humming and sizzling sounds with popping noises in the jungle nearby! I realized then that the UN-friendly neighboring Japs in the jungle were practicing with me as the bull's eye, hi! Naturally, it seemed like a good idea for me to retreat down the mast. I didn't lose any time scrambling my way down, all the way trying my best to keep the tower between me and the apparent source of the shots.

When I reached the ground, luckily still intact (me, not the ground), I noticed a knot of enlisted men nearby. Most of them seemed to be busy exchanging money. Obviously the losers were paying off the optimists who had bet I would come down safely, and not in one "swell loop", I mean fell swoop.

Among the appreciative group was a Marine warrant officer I recognized. He was in charge of a detachment of 33 Marines, our station security guard. "Why didn't you go after those Japs in there", I asked him. "Sir", he answered, "It wouldn't have been any use: we've done that many times and when we get there, they're always gone!" Incidentally he was the pistol champ of the Marine Corps, and later, when I became the new C.O., I had him tutor me in .45 pistol shooting practice.

adopted, convey all amateur privileges on frequencies above 144 MHz. Yet it noted there is nothing to prevent authorization of the frequencies from 50 MHz to 144 MHz and said it intended to be flexible on the frequency issue.

It also noted that establishment of a new class would create a substantial administrative burden involving new or modified examinations, revised application forms and other publications and changes to data processing programs and procedures.

The Commission observed that both Japan and Canada have significant numbers of amateurs and that both provide for a license class without a code requirement. It said it was unaware of any resulting difficulty in either country.

The FCC declined ARRL's request that it delay action on the codeless license class for 18 months while a volunteer amateur license examination program, proposed in concurrent action (PR Docket 83-27P, is put into effect.

For further information contact Steve Lett, 202 632 4964

Frank Borsody, K4EC, has given us a first installment on a new group of storys for QCWA NEWS. It is at left, and below, Frank visits in Budapest, the Amateur Radio Club station HA5BKV. At his left, Bandi, HA5CQ, a club member. Taken during a visit, November 2, 1982.



SPECIAL SAROC REPORT

QCWA Prexy Stu Meyer, W2GHE, presented Bert F. Ayers, W6CL, Southern California Historian, with a 60-Year Award at the recent SAROC CONFERENCE, held in Las Vegas, NV, January 13-16, 1983. As a part of the proceedings, President Meyer was also an honored guest at the Alvin Rey musical performance attended by over 100 YL's and XYL's.

The QCWA booth at the SAROC CONFERENCE held at the Aladdin Hotel, in Las Vegas, was presided over by Ray Meyers, W6ML2, President of the OOTC and, Bert Ayers, W6CL, past President of the Southern California Chapter of QCWA. They are shown in the picture below. Not in the picture, but serving to hold the QCWA Banner in emergency circumstances were Sandy Hein, President of the YLRL and Fred Hein, W6WZO, Vice-Director ARRL Southwest Division.



In the shot below, Bert Ayers, W6CL, at left, is being presented his 60-Year Golden Certificate by QCWA President, Stuart Meyer, W2GHE.



Report, story and pictures by Stewart Wolfe, W6FYV!

The Foundation For Amateur Radio



PRESS RELEASE

FOR PUBLICATION: April, 1983

THE FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO, INC., a non-profit organization with headquarters in Washington, D.C., plans to award ten (10) scholarships for the academic year 1983-1984. The Foundation, composed of fifty local area amateur radio clubs, fully funds two of these scholarships from the proceeds of the Gaithersburg (MD) Hamfest. It administers, without cost to the donors, two scholarships for the Quarter Century Wireless Association and one each for the Richard G. Clanchester Memorial, the Radio Club of America, the Young Ladies' Radio League, the Edmund B. Wellington Memorial, the Amateur Radio News Service and the Columbia (MD) Amateur Radio Association.

Licensed Radio Amateurs may compete for one or more of these awards if they plan to pursue a full-time course of studies beyond high school and are enrolled or have been accepted for enrollment in an accredited university, college or technical school. Most of the scholarships require the applicant to hold at least an FCC General Class license or equivalent. The scholarship awards range from \$300 to \$900 with preference given in some of them to residents of specified geographical areas or the pursuit of certain study programs.

Additional information and an application form can be requested by a letter or 35¢/postcard, postmarked prior to May 31, 1983 from the scholarship committee chairman:

Hugh A. Turnbull, W3AAC
6103 Rhode Island Avenue
College Park, MD 20740

The FOUNDATION is devoted exclusively to promoting the interests of Amateur Radio and to the scientific, literary and educational pursuits that advance the purposes of the Amateur Radio Service.

CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER (107)

The January meeting of Central Florida Chapter was held at the Western Sirloin Steakhouse on N. Florida Avenue with 32 members and guests attending.

The invocation was performed by Al Streling, W4OFT, and self introductions given by all present. Minutes of the November & December meetings were read and approved. The Treasurers report was presented and approved. James Gundry W4JH, then installed the new officers for the ensuing year:

John Spark, W4LHP, President
Al Streling, W4OFT, Vice President
Norman Weddell, W9HCH, Secretary
Charles Chapman, W4SVB, Treasurer

James Gundry was named Program Director, Wayne Chapman as Public Relations, Norm Darch, W2HGV, Publicity, Ullis Tucker, W4YRK, members interface.

Homer Courchain reported to be still in the hospital and not in the best of condition. May 14 will be the last meeting held officially this year, but members are encouraged to congregate at the same time and place informally through the summer until the meetings resume in the Fall. Charter Day, May 15, will be celebrated at the May 14 meeting.

Sun City Radio Club has announced an open invitation to all hams at their club room at the next meeting. Jack Noonan, Lakeland Repeater Association President announced the February meeting would be held on the 21st.

An excellent and informative antenna program was presented by Francis J. Rutter, K3AW, of Brookville, which was enjoyed by all. Several good informational items were brought out to help us all in our next antenna jobs.

- Norm, W9HCH -

SOCAL NOTICE

The Spring meeting will be a luncheon Saturday, April 16, 1983, at the Pickwick Banquet Rooms, 921/1001 Riverside Dr. in Burbank. The social hour will be from 11 AM to 1 PM, (open bar) and a complete luncheon (salad & dessert) will be served at 1 PM. Reservations, 9.50 each, should go to Vi Barrett, W6CBA, 10530 Grovedale Dr., Whittier, CA 90603.

Special awards and an excellent program will be presented.

WIRELESS BETWEEN THE WARS

PART V

Previous parts of this story have dealt with some of my experiences as an aircraft Wireless Operator in the Royal Air Force. This part deals briefly with some fun and games as a shipboard operator.

Although I commenced my overseas service by flying to Singapore from Scotland (see Part II), it was inevitable during some six years overseas service that one would travel on a troopship, and Fate picked for me two journeys on HMT "Somersetshire", which was a converted freighter of some 10,000 tons, conveying about 1500 troops between England and Hong Kong, via Malta, Egypt, India and Singapore. This was no "Love Boat", and quarters were a bit cramped. Marched on board with all one's worldly possessions in two kitbags over the shoulder, I remember being detailed to a portion of the forward hold marked on the hatchway "No. 2 Deck - Messing 244 - Sleeping 196". One did not dare to ask where the unlucky 48 slept!

On about the second day out on my first trip (from Singapore to Hong Kong), a fat chap in a Merchant Navy uniform appeared on our deck and, after getting one of us to yell for silence, enquired "Any W/T Operators here?" Sensing the opportunity to get out of this rather pungent hell-hole, I volunteered that I was indeed an aircrew wireless operator - mechanic - air-gunner - navigator, whatever. He asked me "Can you read morse at 30 w.p.m.?" This I claimed (amid derisive cries from the assembled airmen) and he said "Report to the W/T cabin at 7 bells this forenoon watch" (11.30 to you). He also gave me a piece of paper to show to the Service Police who were determined to let no-one wander around the more attractive parts of the ship, such as the upper decks.

The Wireless Cabin, aft of the Bridge, was a comparatively spavious one, containing Marconi, L.F. and M.F. transmitters and receivers of simple tube design (MO - PA Tx and TRF receivers) with the inevitable 600 - meter spark emergency set, including an automatic receiver which was supposed to sound an alarm if an "S.O.S." was received. This was tested daily, but fortunately we never had in fact to use it.

Now it turned out that "Sparks" the "Wireless Officer", like nearly everyone else in the ship's crew, had a racket; and his was to print, publish and sell the "Ship's Newspaper", a 4 page sheet containing mostly news put out by Reuters Press Agency in morse from GBR at Rugby in England on 16.2 KHz. Thanks to the "D-layer", this LF signal could be heard by operators around the world. (I believe it still can be heard). However, in the Far East, the day's news in Europe came on at about 0300 hours local time, next day, by which time our friend was either fast asleep, or drunk, or both. Hence the volunteer help, to copy all this Press, type it up, and turn the handle of the ancient Gestetner copying machine to produce several hundred copies by morning.

However, one did not mind very much, because it was much more comfortable in the cabin, and it even had an ice-box, with actual beer in it on good days. Also, approaching and leaving port was a really busy time on the air, when our "Sparks" earned his pay by handling traffic with the nearest coast station - and I learned how to do that task - which came in very useful, later.

Now for the fun and games. As the "production staff" of the Ship's Newspaper, I had my own free copy, and a devilish scheme entered my mind. As you know, sea-going folk call a latrine a "head", and the heads on this ship consisted of a double row of cubicles right up in the bows, some 12 on each side. A large gutter, or scupper, passed under these places, and through this scupper was continually pumped a large stream of seawater. Following breakfast, all were usually occupied, and the scheme was to occupy the foremost head (easy, as one was awake at 6 a.m.), light the newspaper with a match, and drop it sheet

BY KEITH STREET, G3DKS

by sheet into the fast flowing scupper. There followed a sequence of yells and screams, as the burning paper passed under each occupant, and a bonus yell as some hit their heads on the overhead in leaping up. The "evidence" was swept overside and no-one quite knew what was happening. However, it relieved the tedium of the journey, and gave the passengers something to talk about.

To turn to a more glamorous marine adventure. Shortly following the above experience, the then Governor of the Straits Settlements (Singapore and Borneo) decided (in about 1933) to visit the King of Siam (now Thailand) in Bangkok, and the Governor's French opposite number in Saigon (then French Indo-China). We offered to fly him there, as our Squadron frequently undertook cruises to those then delightful cities, but his decision to go by sea was no doubt coloured by the fact that he had a recently acquired a "yacht" - again a converted freighter, but a much smaller one. However the Governor did ask us to provide an experienced sea-going wireless operator - and guess who volunteered!

There ensued several weeks of sheer delight - luxurious quarters, Chinese servants, very little work and the off-duty company of the Great Man's two lovely daughters, who seemed pleased to find someone of their own age group with whom to play deck games, and one who was able to sneak them forbidden "gin pahits" before dinner - it seemed the family was very strict about such things.

Apart from reading the press from England, and sending and receiving a few formal messages for His Excellency via the 500 KHz Coast Stations, I worked several Amateurs with VU and VS calls. I had taken along my aircraft equipment to back up the ancient LF/MF sets on board, but there seemed to be no "ham" activity in Siam or Indo-China at that time. Ashore in Bangkok, I tried to suggest tactfully to some of King Prajapatok's numerous male relatives (the female ones were strictly off limits) that a "Royal" Amateur Radio Station might be a good thing, in the interests of international relations, but it appeared they only wanted to talk about racing cars (another subject then close to my heart). One of the King's nephews, Prince Birahongse, in fact later became a quite famous Grand Prix driver in Europe.

And so, on to Saigon, where the French made us welcome to the point of embarrassment, and then slowly back to Singapore, to flying and radio duties again, but with many tales to tell of 5 weeks of the "high life" as a seagoing "Sparks".

Before signing off, I should like to say "73, and THANK YOU INDEED to the numerous hams who have written me such nice letters, or sent radiograms, saying how much they have enjoyed these few vignettes about Wireless between the Wars.

This, the fifth Part of a wonderful collection of stories written by Keith Street, G3DKS, brings to its end, a series that has been wonderful reading, and one of the most popular QCWA has ever published. We are proud to have been able to be the means whereby many have been able to enjoy and re-live some of the glorious adventures Keith has given us. If you have enjoyed his writing, why not drop him a note telling him of it?

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We here at headquarters do many things...some good, some bad and some not at all....but, all seem agreed on one great truth....gaining wisdom is one thing to which we are immune!

- anon -

JVERHEARD, AT A FLORIST SHOP...."please give me something that goes well with a poor alibi."

NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER



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Pictured above, L-R are Chapter Vice-Pres. Carl Maylott-W2YE; Pres. Ray Griswold-W2SD; our new Sec'y-Treas. Howey Seyse-W2KZ receiving his 60-year Anniversary Award; out-going Sec'y-Treas. Bill Hope-W2EWT.

Our Chapter meets every Saturday Noon for luncheon at the Williamsville Inn, 5447 Main Street, Williamsville, NY. Out-of-town QCWA members are issued a special invitation to attend our luncheons when visiting this area. Our Chapter is now using 147.42 MHz. "Simplex" for general two meter operation in the metropolitan Buffalo area so call in when you are in range.

Our newly-elected Chapter Officers are Ray Griswold-W2SD, President; Carl Maylott-W2YE, Vice-President; Howey Seyse-W2KZ, Secretary/Treasurer. New Directors elected for a 2-year term are; Hank Karawiecki-W2WCH; Robert Faling-W2MYN; Lew Shea-W2V5V and Earl Westfall-W2JR.

We are very sorry to report the sudden death of Chapter member, George Woodrich, W2KLM of Cheektowaga, NY on Dec. 5. George and his wife Bernie had attended our Chapter Christmas Dinner Party the day before so we were quite shocked to learn of his death by a heart attack. George was our Ass't Picnic Chairman for many years and his efforts contributed in a large measure to their success. Walt Morgan-W2HSI spent a week in a hospital recently recovering from a heart beat problem. Walt is now very busy assembling a Heath-kit transceiver.

Our Annual Christmas Dinner Party at "The Big Apple Supper Club" was a big success. It is fast becoming one of our most popular events. The evening was enjoyed by all and we are already looking forward to the next one! Our thanks to "EX Communications" of West Seneca for their generous donation of four door prizes. I hope that it did not look "suspicious" when my wife-Heggie's name was drawn for the Foreign Call Book prize. (My last one was a 1970 edition)

I am closing out a 6-year period as Secretary/Treasurer of our Niagara Frontier Chapter and felt that it was time for a change. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving our members to the best of my ability and will always cherish their friendship. The reins are being turned over to the capable hands of our newly-elected officer, Howey Seyse-W2KZ. It is very gratifying to note that our Chapter finally passed the 100 membership total during the past year.

Bill-W2EWT

THE QCWA FIRST SECTION QSO PARTY WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BEFORE YOU RECEIVE THIS EDITION OF THE NEWS. PLEASE TAKE PART IN THE SECOND (SEE THE WINTER QCWA NEWS FOR DETAILS, AND BE CERTAIN TO SEND IN YOUR LOG...EVEN 1 CONTACT OR 300!

QUA?

QUA? is a new service of QCWA NEWS, devoted to an interesting subject. Operation is under direction of QCWA Member Henry Hively, W3PTV. Rules are as follows:

For those readers who are ancestor hunting, the column will publish queries of genealogical nature. Inquiries should be submitted as follows:

1. One item to a page
2. Printed, or typed with surnames in CAPITAL LETTERS

No charge for QCWA Members. 10 cents a word, non-members.

Address all correspondence to:

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4111 Tuxey Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15227

Seeking whereabouts of Bruce BISHOP (W8QUG) and his wife Vicki. Originally from Fostoria, OH. After WW-II, he worked in Jamestown, NY for several years.

Malcolm Nelson, N4BIS, ex W2PYA,
3510 Blueberry Lane, Sebring, FL
33870

Looking for information on or descendants of Lucy W. BRENNER, who taught school in Omaha, NE, in 1906 and 1907.

Roland A. Fried, W0YMU, 1017
Canal Street, Custer, SD 57730

Seeking information on the following:

ENDERS, Elizabeth, b. Dec 17, 1752, d. Feb 7, 1837, married Borius Fahnestock, (probably York Cty, PA). Who were her parents?

JACOBS, Grace West, b. Nov. 20, 1760, d. Sept 30, 1832, at Baltimore, MD, married Richard ENSEY of Frederick Cty, MD. Who were her parents?

SMITH, Samuel Rodman, b. 1760, d. March 8, 1831, at Baltimore, MD, m. May 19, 1796 Anne S. SITLER, d. May 15, 1840 at Baltimore, MD. His will states that he is the son of Hon. Samuel SMITH of Bucks Cty, PA. Have not been able to identify the latter.

L. B. Ensey, K3DJ, 3600 Crondall
Lane, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Seeking descendants of Shirley C. Sloan, wife Gertrude LLEWELLYN, originally from Pittsburgh, PA, Lived in Denver, CO, in the 1920s.

Henry L. Hively, W3PTV
4111 Tuxey Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15227

COASTAL CAROLINA CHAPTER #118

North Carolina is noted for January storms that manage to frustrate many long laid plans to travel. However, instead of snow, we had a mild rain so that our January meeting took place as planned.

After an excellent meal, a delightful social period and a short business meeting the group dispersed. Many of us went on a very interesting tour of the transmitter site of the Voice of America led by our own Bob Knapp, W4OMW. To say the least, the VOA installation is overwhelming. Acres of antennas, miles of lead-in wire and huge 'bottles' for finals. Most fascinating and awe-inspiring. The power consumption is equal to that of a fair-sized town.

In April, we meet in conjunction with the Raleigh Hamfest on April 17. Y'all come!

- Murray, W6MWZ -

MEMBERS NEWLY ENROLLED IN QCWA

10-27-82	16,424	Philip R. Russ	N5BPO	Canyon, TX
	16,425	Wayne W. Cooper	AG4R	Miami Shores, FL
	16,426	Joseph Barkiewicz	N4GGX	Crawfordville, FL
	16,427	Robert V. C. Dickinson	W2CCE	Berkeley Heights, NJ
	16,428	Edward A. Baumel	W8BHC	South Euclid, OH
	16,429	Richard F. Rauscher	W6ANK	Fremont, CA
	16,430	Sidney Weinstein	W2TCR	Brooklyn, NY
	16,431	Sheldon K. Davis	W3FVU	Indiana, PA
	16,432	John M. Mezzo	K2UFA	Wichita Falls, TX
10-28-82	16,433	A. Mark Smith	W6CNV	Santa Barbara, CA
	16,434	Alfred A. Laun, III	K3ZO	APO Miami, FL
	16,435	Wilbur R. Dishong	K6EAE	Hemet, CA
11-01-82	16,436	Warren J. Taylor	W7GHI	Freeland, WA
	16,437	James William Parker, Sr	W4KGP	Savannah, GA
	16,438	Glen Whitehouse	K1GN	Amherst, NH
	16,439	Frank A. Finger	W5ASD	Mountain Home, AR
	16,440	Arnold Gorevitz	K1BVB	Delray Beach, FL
	16,441	Johnnie J. Bourq	K5CRF	Houma, LA
	16,442	Walter P. Smith	K1DWQ	Austin, TX
	16,443	Tom Vornbrock	N7DZD	Seattle, WA
	16,444	Norman Dauble	W0IVC	Aurora, CO
	16,445	James A. Purdy	W8RF	Sylvania, OH
	16,446	Carl H. Nelson	NJ6K	Whittier, CA
11-03-82	16,447	Harry J. Greuel	W9AHQ	Stanford, IL
	16,448	August Karvonen	K8HJL	Mass City, MI
11-04-82	16,449	Thomas N. Lubbers	K5TL	Springfield, OH
11-08-82	16,450	Paul G. Birney	K4HJ	Lakeland, FL
	16,451	James R. Cooper	VE3CR	Clinton, ON
	16,452	Stanley Wylyczko	K4HXB	Jupiter, FL
	16,453	Charles W. Clarke	W6NKP	Los Angeles, CA
	16,454	Tom Callahan	W1NKT	North Hanover, MA
	16,455	Glenn E. Campbell	W8NGC	Waterville, OH
	16,456	A. L. Severson	W7GCK	Salem, OR
	16,457	Carl T. Nuhn	W4KAX	Arlington, VA
	16,458	Edward J. Sadowski, Jr	K1BYV	Coventry, RI
	16,459	Ralph Leichtamer	W8BJU	Carrollton, OH
	16,460	Robert E. Harper	W5BH	Egg Harbor, NJ
11-09-82	16,461	H. Stuart Graves	VE3SG	Peterborough, ON
	16,462	William D. Stuart	W4BDB	Cleveland, TN
	16,463	Charles P. LaGrossa, Jr	K8DZA	Denver, CO
11-10-82	16,464	Jack Mackinnon	K6TYF	San Lorenzo, CA
	16,465	F. Wayne Chapman	W8TKR	Lakeland, FL
	16,466	Audrey B. Watkins	K4RNU	Martinez, GA
11-11-82	16,467	David C. Alexander	W8GD	Toledo, OH
	16,468	Hubert W. Woodland	W8KIQ	Alma, MI
11-16-82	16,469	Edwin Franklin Morrison	N3RY	Washington, DC
	16,470	Ted Michalski	W8TQY	Toledo, OH
	16,471	Richard J. Foster	K7AJT	Aberdeen, WA
	16,472	John E. Westphal	W5YNA	Toledo, OH
	16,473	Ron Yokubaitis	W8TKQ	Bartlett, TX
	16,474	Francis J. Maher	W1ENC	East Dorset, VT
	16,475	Donald A. Hull	KK7R	Seattle, WA
	16,476	Gene Messersmith	K0IVU	Cambridge, NE
	16,477	Ross Pettit	W4GQS	Sebring, FL
	16,478	Eli M. Lurie	W84OSX	Surfside, FL
	16,479	Warren J. Brookins	W4WGR	Orlando, FL
	16,480	Ernest M. Helton	W8MYN	Franklin, OH
	16,481	Arthur H. Fuller	K4KCR	Cape Coral, FL
	16,482	Michael K. Fetecenko	K8IC2	Taylor, MI
	16,483	Bill Plimpton	W2LXH	Wellshoro, PA
	16,484	Alex Poerschke	DL1MQ	Hagen, FRG
11-17-82	16,485	Egon Pistor	DL1MP	Breckerfeld, FRG
	16,486	Fred Stehling	DL9AW	Gronau, FRG
11-18-82	16,487	Robert H. Neben	K9BI	Dayton, OH
	16,488	Charles R. Kline, SR	K4ROM	Glendale Springs, NC
	16,489	Charles R. Kline, Jr	W5TPM	Austin, TX
	16,490	Lewis L. Sheerar	E9JPS	Wausau, WI
	16,491	John A. Hunter	W5DTL	Baton Rouge, LA
11-19-82	16,492	John F. McCallum	W5JBC	Tarpon Springs, FL
	16,493	Lawrence O. Bronsdon	KA4LA2	Melbourne, FL
	16,494	Betty A. Brown	W6KQC	San Diego, CA
	16,495	Robert E. Saulpaugh	AG3S	Ocala, FL
	16,496	Eva W. Tronske	K6TGA	Monterey Park, CA
	16,497	Thomas E. Lutz	W0KZV	Spring Lake Park, MN
11-23-82	16,498	Robert F. Imhof	AG2K	Staten Island, NY
	16,499	Dan L. Whipkey	N3DN	Clearwater, FL
	16,500	Robert G. Haberman	W2KKZ	Buffalo, NY

Long Long ago, in Persia, there were two warring tribes that continually fought over the tiniest strip of land. It wasn't worth much, but the fighting was vicious and the cost on both sides was always dear. One day, after many years of fighting, King George, wishing to end the strife between himself and King Faude for all time, decided to hire the best technical experts to help him wipe out his enemy.

After consulting, with sage after sage King George finally settled on a marvelous rambling rack that would catapult his army over the seemingly impregnable walls of his foe. To pull this magnificent machine, he needed a heard of elephants guided by the best engineer money could buy. At last the fight began and the battle was joined. King George won. How did he defeat his enemy?

He used a rambling rack from King George's attack and an elephant engineer!



DALLAS CHAPTER (41)

Dallas Chapter of QCWA takes pleasure in presenting the enclosed \$75, to the QCWA Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The LADIES of our Chapter (xYL and YL hams), while sponsoring and conducting the program at our November 6th meeting, sold chances on a Christmas Tree Skirt which one of them had decorated. A name was drawn and the lucky winner walked off with the Skirt. However, the QCWA Scholarship Fund was really the winner, since all proceeds were given to the Fund.

- Walt, W5OGZ -

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER (11)

The NORCAL Chapter held a breakfast meeting at Spenger's Restaurant, in Berkeley, Saturday, November 13th, and 70 were present. Brob Franklin, K6TP, and Jerry White, W6I2E, provided a program on direction finding which all present found very interesting.

The meeting was conducted by Norm Buell, W6SJH.

Our next event will be the Annual Luncheon in February, at the El Rancho Restaurant, in San Bruno, with Lee Savage, KA6FB, in charge of arrangements.

- Russ, W6AUC -

LAKE ERIE TRI-STATE QCWA CHAPTER 122

The Third Annual meeting attended by 34 members was held October 23, in the Brown Derby restaurant at the Millcreek Mall, in Erie, PA. In lieu of the nomination of new candidates, the present Officers consented to serve for an added term. Floyd Staebler, KB3UK, was presented a Golden Anniversary Award..

A Summer picnic was held on August 15, at the QTH of Bert Van Houten, W3TPW, the Bert-ger Chef and XYL Olive presiding. The event was attended by 19 members and guests.

The LETS first all QCWA family members are the Callahans, Paul, K3AER, Rita, K3AES, and son Jim, K3AFU. New members are: Dick Reynolds, W3QMY and Gene Wacławik, K3ASF. With deep regret, we report the passing of Steve Reynolds, W3CRV, and Gene Gruber, KB3IA. Evelyn Baker, W3JQV, has been named task force leader for the Silent Key QCWA Memorial Fund. -Paul, W3QPP-

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS WOMEN 120

From Volume 3, No. 4, of the QCWA NEWS we wanted to list the newly elected 1983 Officers:

Esther Given, W6BDE, President
Elizabeth Stratten, W2PVS, V. P.
Margaret Moore, WB6JVL, Secy/Treas.

Board members are: Helen Drake, K5ECP, and Beth Taylor, W7NJS.

Remember, if you can, check into the QCWA net, Tuesdays, at 1900 UTC, 14295 MHz. There is a good chance that you might work enough QCWA members to qualify for the QCWA Certificate.

*Barbara Corey, W4HYV, had been elected to the Office of Secy/Treasurer. She was unable to serve and Margaret has consented to take on the work. To Barbara, a great big thanks for all of the help and good luck in your new job.

SOLUTION TO QCWA CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Tom Webb, W4YOK, presented a crossword puzzle in the Winter News. Now, he has given us the solution. Here's hoping you made it OK, to to Tom, our great big thank you!



A truth that's told with bad intent
Beats all the lies you can invent.

---Blake---

MEMBERS NEWLY ENROLLED IN QCWA

	16,501	Arthur Wheeler	W7XX	Aberdeen, WA
	16,502	George Brousseau	W6FQB	Fremont, CA
	16,503	Ed Sieler	W8UXU	Lambertville, MI
	16,504	Eleanor Sieler	W8TDV	Lambertville, MI
	16,505	John W. Blow	W4OMO	Auburn, AL
11-29-82	16,506	Walter D. Mazzacane	W4MFA	Indian Harbor Beach, FL
	16,507	Richard W. Roberts	K9BX	Rothschild, WI
	16,508	William B. Overstreet	K4BGI	Prattville, AL
	16,509	Harold E. Ness	W9UNY	Minneapolis, MN
	16,510	Chett Cook	W9TUD	Essex, IL
	16,511	Pauline L. Avery	W7FHW	Pasco, WA
	16,512	Arthur H. Ekblad	K9QQ	Minot, ND
	16,513	Howard H. Burkher	KL7DQ	Anchorage, AK
	16,514	Leon M. Matheny	K5ZBI	San Antonio, TX
	16,515	Branan B. Beyt	W5ZR	New Iberia, LA
	16,516	Albert L. Hopkins	W6ODN	Auburn, CA
	16,517	Malcolm A. Peirson	W6QBW	Canoga Park, CA
	16,518	Ed Cushing	W4GW	Flat Rock, NC
	16,519	Bruce F. Quimby	W7EMK	Hoquiam, WA
	16,520	Aubrey G. Armstrong	K5MOF	San Antonio, TX
	16,521	Robert K. Grace	W2IND	Neptune, NJ
	16,522	Paul R. Miller	W5AFY	Longview, TX
	16,523	Frederick L. Kelley	N1BKX	North Edgecomb, ME
11-30-82	16,524	Edwin Lax	K5MDH	Dallas, TX
12-03-82	16,525	George J. Wood	K8GHX	Lansing, MI
	16,526	John R. Mantell	K3BYV	Severna Park, MD
	16,527	Roger M. Cooper	N3RC	Alexandria, VA
	16,528	Robert M. Mitchell	K5WXR	Rogers, AR
	16,529	Ted J. Cain	W2CCC	Sea Bright, NJ
	16,530	Bill Barber	K4HLI	Charlotte, NC
	16,531	Howard S. Heller	W8NRI	Cleveland Heights, OH
	16,532	Ieland E. Campbell	W4LTR	Sarasota, FL
	16,533	Newton H. Grimes	KA7CXU	Federal Way, WA
	16,534	James C. Kensing	W3MJO	Dysart, PA
	16,535	Edward Turnpugh	K4MAV	Miami, FL
	16,536	Ralph R. McFadden	W8OMJ	Lakewood, CO
12-06-82	16,537	James L. Williams, Sr	K6HTO	Redwood City, CA
	16,538	A. A. McArthur	VE3DJ	Ancaster, ON
	16,539	Julian C. Whaley	W7DXI	Seattle, WA
	16,540	Doritis A. Bourg	K5EPR	Houma, LA
	16,541	Bert Morgan	VE3XK	Sudbury, ON
	16,542	Larry Wise	K5UYH	El Paso, TX
	16,543	Siegfried Wollautschnig	OE8SW	Eisenkappel/Carinthia, Austria
	16,544	Josef Gieschlberger	OE2JG	Salzburg, Austria
	16,545	Emil Piskernik	OE8PE	Klagenfurt, Austria
	16,546	Thomas Fris	OE8TF	Volkmars, Austria
	16,547	Herbert Schastock	I1UNO	Imperia, Italy
	16,548	Gerhard Keil	DL9FB	Ingelheim, FRG
	16,549	Clifford Hartles	DJ8OS	Salzflun, FRG
	16,550	Alfred Schaedlich	DL1XJ	Darmstadt, FRG
	16,551	Fred Coy	DL1CT	Ottberg-Hering, FRG
	16,552	Kurt Mania	DL1JG	Kiel, FRG
12-07-82	16,553	R. L. Brookings	W87NYL	Montesano, WA
	16,554	John D. Vugteveen	W7KNT	Stevensville, MT
	16,555	Clare Barkley	K8IIB	Saginaw, MI
	16,556	Charles A. O'Malley	W2KOF	Little Silver, NJ
	16,557	Ed Rice	W9NGP	Oconomowoc, WI
	16,558	Ross K. Gessford, Sr	KA4BBT	Bradenton, FL
	16,559	Albert H. Brentlinger	K6LME	Aurora, CO
	16,560	Joseph S. Churan	K4FNK	White Rock, SC
12-08-82	16,561	Robert N. Hanna	K8ADK	Toledo, OH
	16,562	Keith G. Blackwell	W9PLB	Sarasota, FL
	16,563	Frank P. Theriot	K4BZ	Vienna, VA
12-10-82	16,564	Eric J. Jorgensen	KE6US	Sherman Oaks, CA
	16,565	Charles T. Dion	K7BAG	Bothell, WA
	16,566	Paul K. Johnson	W2GMB	Wanamassa, NJ
	16,567	Raymond A. Shaub	W3AXC	Dover, PA
	16,568	John G. Roff	W9UE	Sturgeon Bay, WI
	16,569	Ian M. Evans	K6SKG	Eureka, CA
	16,570	Leon D. Held	W2KLD	Miami, FL
	16,571	Hans Mauder	DL6FF	Eriskirch, FRG
12-13-82	16,572	Conrad Clark	W3ZMN	Bethlehem, PA
	16,573	Horace W. Simpson	W2J0Z	Mallica Hill, NJ
	16,574	Dolores Child	K6JPY	Pico Rivera, CA
	16,575	George V. Dlugos	W1JRV	Stratford, CT
	16,576	Donald A. Gilliamson	K4EAU	Miami, FL
	16,577	Howard E. Busson	W8WGB	Akron, OH

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	16,578	S. Scott Howe	K1AUN	Middletown, RI
	16,579	David H. Palmer	N6PHF	Los Altos, CA
	16,580	Paul J. Wiegert	K2JFE	Staten Island, NY
12-15-82	16,581	Arthur W. Biesendorfer, Jr.	N9HBI	Villa Park, IL
	16,582	John A. Barolet	KJ3E	California, MD
	16,583	James R. Newland	K8EMC	Omaha, NE
	16,584	Russel B. Hughes	N8IFS	Minneapolis, MN
	16,585	Clarence L. Eley, Sr	K9HTJ	Auburn, IN
12-16-82	16,586	Richard H. Lachenauer	K2JYF	Sun City Center, FL
12-17-82	16,587	James C. Kimball	K9JXW	Wausau, WI
	16,588	Dexter Anderson	W4KM	Washington, DC
	16,589	Chuck Flanagan	W3GKK	Upper Marlboro, MD
	16,590	Conard J. Arrington	W4MVX	Winnsboro, SC
12-21-82	16,591	Wilbur O. Hansen	W3HRF	Erie, PA
	16,592	C. L. Price	K7BOQ	Klamath Falls, OR
12-21-82	16,593	Lewis B. Steingold	W4BLO	Virginia Beach, VA
	16,594	Louis Marchese	W4ZPMW	College Point, NY
	16,595	Virginia S. Menerick	W8MEJ	Sarasota, FL
	16,596	Ray Carlock	K4ATR	St. Petersburg, FL
	16,597	Walter H. Dvors	W8TQW	Loveland, CO
	16,598	Marvin D. Denison	K8ANA	Uhrichsville, OH
	16,599	Ronald L. Noffsinger	W8GKW	Beulah, MI
12-23-82	16,600	Joe Dannewitz	DL3MN	Hessen, FRG
	16,601	Siegfried Nootz	DL6CG	Nettetal, FRG
	16,602	Walter Musgrave	W8NGW	Cleveland, OH
	16,603	Leo Wayne Smith	W8SSK	Hastings, MI
	16,604	Dorothy Truhlar	N9ALC	Chicago, IL
	16,605	George M. Billeaux	W9VOQ	Rock Falls, IL
	16,606	Daniel R. Clancy	W8STU	Houston, TX
12-24-82	16,607	Paul A. Lundy	K8LKH	Ames, IA
	16,608	N. Homer Apple	W4AIT	Greensboro, NC
	16,609	Joseph H. Franker	K9AFB	South Holland, IL
	16,610	William G. Duckwitz	W4PRV	Kennesaw, GA
	16,611	Robert A. Craft	W6FAH	Stockton, CA
	16,612	Jerry D. Gage, Jr	W5DXI	Waco, TX
	16,613	Dennis W. Olmstead	W8EMD	Glen Ellyn, IL
12-27-82	16,614	Ralph E. Cash	W4DOX	Miami Shores, FL
	16,615	Ronald F. Koperski	W8INR	Toledo, OH
	16,616	Paul K. Brace	W2HHI	Houston, TX
	16,617	Al Toll	W6JNU	Westminster, CA
	16,618	Russell E. Nibecker	W6NCA	Mt. Shasta, CA
	16,619	Robert H. Orink	W7HDA	Kirkland, WA
	16,620	Robert A. Durdle	K8HJI	Holland, MI
	16,621	Edwin Fine	W6ZVM	Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
	16,622	Cuthbert N. Harris	W4OIJ	Brevard, NC
12-28-82	16,623	Robert E. Mack	K4JET	Orlando, FL
12-29-82	16,624	Philip Borisovich	K6PEH	Berkeley, CA
	16,625	Harold A. Johnson	W5RX	Las Cruces, NM
	16,626	William E. Herman	W3DMG	Altoona, PA
	16,627	Gene E. Cole	W6OCK	Overland Park, KS
	16,628	Morris Howard	N9BOK	Armington, IL
	16,629	Art Charlap-Hyman	W6ZNO	Tarzana, CA
	16,630	Roy O. Dawson	W2AL	Mulberry, FL
12-31-82	16,631	Gerhard Brause	W6TEG	San Jose, CA
	16,632	Vernon L. Rosson	W5TEH	FPO New York, NY
	16,633	Victor M. Visotsky	W7JXP	Seattle, WA
	16,634	Tom Lappin	W9UY	Hutchinson, KS
	16,635	Charles J. Stahl	N8DNT	East Lansing, MI
	16,636	William Jamieson Strange, Sr	W9ZPL	Chicago, IL
	16,637	Edward R. Long	W4WCA	Buena Vista, VA
	16,638	John Fellis	W6TLO	West Covina, CA
	16,639	Thomas W. Miller	K6RXX	Torrance, CA
	16,640	Warren W. Krueger	W9HHC	Neenah, WI
	16,641	Arnold D. Samuels	KH6COX	Ocean Shores, WA
	16,642	Kenneth M. Popin	W9UKL	Shawnee Mission, KS
	16,643	Dana Parks, Jr	W1BYS	Clearwater, FL
	16,644	George H. Masterson	W4UAA	Miami, FL
	16,645	Peter A. Nordeen	W7ZPK	Mountlake Terrace, WA
	16,646	Neil I. Sternstein	K2RCH	Deptford, NJ
	16,647	Robert M. Curtis	W6QCV	Arcadia, CA
	16,648	Robert G. Nisle	K7DOU	Idaho Falls, ID
12-31-82	16,649	Charles J. Jenks	W83IEY	Erie, PA
	16,650	James I. Bray, Jr	W4KCI	Buena Vista, VA
	16,651	A. L. Roy Kite	K6CZO	Fresno, CA
	16,652	Harley Hogberg	W6ELL	San Gabriel, CA
	16,653	Raeferd D. everhart	K4SWN	Lexington, NC
	16,654	Donald B. Borges	W4DUA	Orlando, FL

EL PASO AREA TEXAS CHAPTER (64)

The El Paso Chapter has prepared one of the finest Chapter Historical record that we have seen. Listed are the roster of Officers for each of the years since the Chapter founding...all Awards received by members and notice of Silent Key members.

This is such a fine document that we will be happy to provide a copy to any Chapters working on their document to help in preparing outline and final material. Congratulations to El Paso.

The material was sent by the Chapter Secretary, Owen Lehr, W5VTR!

ARIZONA CHAPTER (16)

Arizona Chapter has announced new Officers for 1983/84 as follows:

Val Popof, K7AW, Chairperson
Cliff Bruce, W7ER, Vice Chairperson

The Chapter is holding on-the-air meetings each Sunday 0730 on 3892 kHz. All members and friends are urged to check into the net if possible.

Lucky, K7NTG, has retired that call with full honors and closed its standards - he now is using his 48-year old call, W5KMF, and our records have been changed to show that.

The Chapter sends best wishes for a great New 1983 to all QCWA Members!

IN MEMORY OF

M. D. Ercolino, W2BDS

A tribute from Cecil Bastian, W200G...

"I knew Mike from the day he came to work at the Army Signal Corp Laboratory at Fort Monmouth, in 1942. He too was a graduate of Marconi Institute and shipped out as a wireless operator on a ship with a spark transmitter. The next trip out, he brought along a tube transmitter that he made. He proudly hung a painting of the ship in his office at Telrex Labs. I know of few people that were as hard-working, generous, sincere and honest as he was...he was a legend. Known the world over, I hope you can give a tribute to Mike in QCWA NEWS."

Frederick E. Terman

Frederick E. Terman, a former Stanford University provost credited with helping establish the silicon valley on the West Coast as a leading center for the electronics industry, has died of a heart attack at age 82. Terman died Sunday, December 19, 1982, in his sleep.

He was licensed as an amateur, 6AE, in 1920. He taught at Stanford for 40 years, retiring in 1965.

During WW-II, Terman won the Medal of Merit, the highest civilian honor for organizing the radio research laboratory at Cambridge, MA.

REPORT

QCWA issues a number of Certificates to members eligible to receive them. From time to time we list the numbers of each of the Certificates issued both for your interest and information. The following list shows the number of certificates issued and the last number issued for each..

50-Year Golden	2837
50-Year Cont. Lic	597
55-Year Golden	53
60-Year Golden	415
65-Year Golden	24
70-Year Golden	10
Century Club	141

It may further be of interest to members to know the costs associated with issuance of these Golden Certificates.

During January, 1983, 291 such certificates were issued, and in accordance with Board action, the certificates are issued without charge to eligible members.

The total cost was \$1324.74 which included material, labor, postage

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	16,655	Julius M. Kulcsar	KBJK	North Ridgeville, OH
	16,656	Nelson Vigneault	W0IMX	Hutchinson, KS
	16,657	Kurt Blum	DJ4DA	Stuttgart, FRG
	16,658	Tom Parke	WSTGJ	Pasadena, TX
01-07-83	16,659	Graham B. Berry, Sr	W4MCO	Ormond Beach, FL
	16,660	Graham G. Berry, Jr	K8GB	Northbrook, IL
	16,661	J. R. Burton	K5BZP	Houston, TX
	16,662	Robert F. Tunncliffe	N3BGY	Arnold, MD
	16,663	Mary B. McLam	K1TCW	Southbridge, MA
	16,664	John D. Muller	W3QF	Kensington, MD
	16,665	Ronn W. Eiss	K2LXD	Baton Rouge, LA
	16,666	Robert W. Harlan	AK7S	Renton, WA
	16,667	Judy Shaw Gerdel	K5LCQ	Venus, TX
	16,668	Beth Peterson	W6RYL	Santa Cruz, CA
	16,669	Milton I. Faivre	K4EBT	Tampa, FL
	16,670	Benjamin L. Lowe	K4QF	Scottsboro, AL
	16,671	Frankie Womack	W4BJT	East Point, GA
	16,672	Walter J. Wilson	K8AEM	Marshall, MI
	16,673	Henry Lee Wyatt, II	K4YCR	Lynchburg, VA
01-10-83	16,674	Clarence N. McBride	K4YPF	Lynchburg, VA
	16,675	Gerald Hartenstein	E2QFY	Wantagh, NY
	16,676	Irving W. Graw	K8IUM	Saginaw, MI
01-12-83	16,677	Stan Head, Jr	K8OI	Toledo, OH
01-11-83	16,678	James C. Cain	W0AGL	Rochester, MN
	16,679	Mary E. Bryan	K5PBE	Kingston, OK
	16,680	Bob Cronau	N4EHL	Hampton, VA
	16,681	Richard W. Randall	K6ARE	Livermore, CA
	16,682	Wallace Haines	W4MKW	Vero Beach, FL

containers, etc. This comes out to a cost of \$4.55 each, mailed to members.

- W5EJ -

KANSAS CHAPTER (110)



Chapter member, talked about QCWA - - how it started and how it has continued to grow to its present membership. Then Paul had a slide presentation of pictures taken at ARRL Headquarters, with appropriate commentary.

The program was interesting and informative and enjoyed by all.

Pictured at the right, Wilbur Naylor, W0WXY, President of the Kansas Chapter QCWA.

The Kansas Chapter met at the Hilton Inn, in Junction City, on November 6, 1982.

Thirty-six members and guests attended the dinner meeting which was open to all amateurs of this area and to their guests. Wilbur Naylor, W0WXY, Concordia, Kansas, President of the Kansas Chapter was presiding.

For the program, Paul Grauer, W0FIR, pictured at left, Midwest Division Director of the ARRL, and a Kansas



Steve, W0CHJ.

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

The 1982 QCWA MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY contains a series of symbols along the margin of each page. The symbols are those computer sort symbols inserted in our data base. They have only casual relationship with their meaning. The symbols used are defined below:

- 1. = QCWA Life Member
- 5. = Member awarded 50-year Golden Certificate
- C = Member awarded 50-Year Continuously Licensed Award.
- B = Member awarded 55-Year Golden Certificate
- 6 = Member awarded 60-Year Golden Certificate
- D = Member awarded 65 Year Golden Certificate
- A = Member awarded 70-Year Golden Certificate
- 1 = Member awarded membership in QCWA Century Club

It is to be noted that the symbol 1 is in one column, the other symbols are in an adjacent column. Again, this is for sort purposes. Only one symbol is presented in order of rank. The rank begins at the top of the list, and runs downward. If you see an "A" next to a members name, he has the 70-year award and while he may not have received the 50, 55, etc., he is eligible for them. The "1" is our highest Award, as we use it. The 1, at present indicates eligibility for one or more of the other awards which may or may not have been issued.

Clear as mud, eh?

- W5EJ -

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY CHAPTER NO. 138



The photograph above shows seven members of the Central New Jersey Chapter holding anniversary certificates that were presented by Chapter President Charles Gspann, W2ZEE, at a recent meeting. All the men received either the Golden Anniversary and/or the 50-Year Continuously Licensed Certificates except Bob Dobbins, WD2AHT, who received the 60th Anniversary Award. The members, L-R are: Ira Meyers W2SVJ; Harry Landau, W2TX, Vice President; Ellis Emery, W2EHN; Phil Petersen, W2DME, Chapter Net Manager; WD2AHT; Millard Timm, KA2JUG; and Don Brown, W2EAM. Al Dabb, W2CAY also received a certificate in absentia. The photo was taken by Sam Yatter, W2ENM.

- Bob, W2OMR -

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER (63)

As 1982 closes, Chapter 63 looks back upon a year that can only be termed successful. We've managed to conduct our regular Sunday morning On-The-Air meetings without a missed session, thanks largely to Ned Leach, W5FLJ, who is always on hand to take over when the Chairman is cutting around the countryside. We've even managed to have a program of some nature at each of our quarterly dinner meetings. These programs have varied tremendously in essence, having only one thing in common: an interest to members, their YF's, and other guests. We've lost to Silent Keys, we've gained members, we've lost a few members through non-payment of dues. But, we've held our own in numbers and gained in active participants.

As 1983 begins, we're going to lose two members from our Board of Directors, with John E. Dalby, W5COE and Harold Gilbertson, W5RB, retiring. To replace them, the nominating Committee has submitted a slate of four well-qualified members. The election is scheduled for mid January.

At both our on-the-air meetings and our dinner meetings, we've averaged 40 in attendance. Not a bad figure for a Chapter having members not only from the four corners of Oklahoma, but also in Texas and Arkansas!

Thanks to an Active and concerned membership, Chapter 63 faces 1983 with confidence! To each Member, the Chairman voices his appreciation and his thanks!

- Carl, W5JJ -

The Starved Rock Radio Club will be observing its 50th Anniversary during the year 1983. Events planned to include a special events station which will be in operation during the latter part of 1983, the Illinois State ARRL Convention planned in conjunction with the Annual Starved Rock Radio Club Hamfest on June 5, 1983, at the Bureau County Fairgrounds, in Princeton, Illinois, and a Banquet planned for members and guests during the latter part of 1983. Exact dates for the special events station and the Banquet will be announced later in QCWA NEWS, QST, CQ and other radio publications.

The Starved Rock Radio Club was organized in 1933, the first official meeting was held on September 1, 1933, in Spring Valley, Illinois. The Club was affiliated with the ARRL on March 15, 1934.

- Johnny, W9ZEN -

QCWA HALIFAX CHAPTER (125)

Halifax Chapter 125 began its fourth year of chartered existence with two major announcements, made at the Quarterly meeting held on January 25, at Port Orange, FL. Members and guests regretfully heard announcement by Chairman Frank Matrangola, WA4MYG, of his imminent departure from the area and permanent move to Maryland. His duties are being assumed by Ernie Curry, W1KCS. Together with Pete Eastman, W2GDP, Secretary/Treasurer, he will direct the activities of the Chapter until the next regular annual meeting to take place in the late spring.

The second announcement made was the report that Chapter 125 now has a total of 90 active members, having reached that total since the original Charter Application of 1980, with its ten signers. Because of its geographical location on the ocean in the Daytona Beach area, the Chapter numbers many members who are also members of chapters elsewhere, & have affiliated with #125 as well because of the amount of time they spend during the year in the sunnier climes.

During the meeting, announcement was also made of the Award of the Nation 50-Year and 50-Consecutive Year awards to Walt Maxwell, W2DU, and the newest Chapter members were Officially welcomed by Officers and Members of the Chapter. Program of the meeting featured a talk by Albert Ensell, Air-Traffic Controller at Daytona Beach Regional Airport on the functions of radio in traffic control.

Members and guests continue to meet with all visiting and local amateurs and their families at weekly luncheons held at Quincy's Restaurant in Daytona Beach, which are open to all Amateurs, QCWA members or not, each week.

Discussions have been initiated on several Chapter projects which have been suggested by members for consideration, including the possibility of volunteering the Chapter services to serve as area examiners for the FCC licenses when the new program for local administering of new and upgrade types of tests have been finalized by the FCC and by the ARRL. Other possible projects are more local in nature.

- Gray, W4MGO -

WISCONSIN CHAPTER (55)

Wisconsin Chapter, with regret, has informed us of the passing of Elden J. Belanger, W9MDG. Elden is survived by his wife, Florence, W9WYJ, also a QCWA Member.

The Chapter was pleased to make presentation of the 60-Year Golden Certificate to Vic Tresidder, W9TQ. The presentation occurred at the Chapter's October, 1982 meeting. Shown in the picture below, Vic Tresidder, W9TQ, at right, receives his 60-Year Certificate from Fred Linn, W9NZF during the Wisconsin Chapter 55 October, 1982 meeting. Fred also presented Vic with a specially made pen and pencil desk set -- a brass based 201A, on a cherry-wood base.



- Lester, W9YCV -

SPACEPORT CHAPTER (66) QCWA

The regular monthly meeting for December was held at Mr. Ni's Chinese Restaurant on Merritt Island. The day was clear and sunny with temperature in the upper fifties. We gathered at 11:30AM, allowing time for some eyeball QSO's & dues payments, etc. and, ordering of lunches. At about 12:30, President Don, N4IN, rapped for order and as a starter, asked for reading of the minutes of the last meeting. As an afterthought, Don had the Officers & Membership stand and introduce themselves and XYL's and guests. The treasurer's report by Allen Apple, K4ILX, was given, reporting an accumulations of \$9.98. President Don then proceeded to the general election. The proposed slate of Officers was presented and in each case, nominations from the floor were called for. Hearing none, the Secretary was directed to cast one vote for the slate and they were duly elected. New Officers for 1983 are:

Spencer Allen, K0REC, President
Ron Richardson, K4GXR, Vice President
Allen Apple, K4ILX, Treasurer
Charles Bunce, K4KCN, Secretary

We were all delighted to welcome back to our midst, Walt Todd, W4JXI, well on the road to recovery from by-pass surgery that he somehow managed to sandwich in between the last meeting and this one! Burke Edwards, W4BXL, gave a short talk on boating and the tie-in with ham radio, citing instances of rescue and social and useful information, all via ham radio. This largely on the waterway net frequency of 7268. This is in addition to the maritime mobile net of 14313. The forty-meter net permits more chances for eyeball QSO's, including partying, assisting on matters like engine repairs, boat slips, navigation updates, etc. Guy Blencoe, W4HVD, called our attention to the fact that we had in our group no less than two contributors of articles to the CQ Magazine...John P. Weber, W4JW, with his article on "Extending Transmitter Tube Life" and, Don, W4IN's story on the results of the '82 CQ 160 meter CW and phone DX contests. Congratulations, Gentlemen!

Mr. Ni, proprietor of the Restaurant & Lounge, stated he was proud to have catered our group and invited us back. The excellent Chinese cuisine was a change of pace for many of us (we were on good behaviour too!).

Out going President Don, N4IN, gave a short farewell address referring to thought concerning the state of the Chapter and wishing his successor well in the coming year. Speaking for my fellow Officers and for the Membership, I am sure they want to thank both Don and Dick, outgoing Officers, for a good job well done and appreciated by all. A careful count of those attending tallied 61, members, XYLs and guests.

New Members joining the Chapter are: Larry Bronson, K4LAZ Dean C. Cole, W4LQS; John W. Talbott, W4RJV and Juanita P. Talbott, W4RJM....Welcome aboard! - Charlie, K4KCN -

EVERGREEN CHAPTER (87)

The annual meeting of the Evergreen Chapter was held in Spokane, in October. About 40 members, visitors and wives were in attendance. Business activities were handled including election of Officers. Those elected were:

Al Cutting, W7ENQ, President
Ed Moore, W7FFB, Vice President
Bob Morrill, W7BMK, Secy/Treasurer

The 1982 Board of Directors were carried over for the year 1983. Historians for the Chapter are Carl Partlow, W7EEN, and Thorwald Jorgenson, K7VVQ.

Future activities include a spring gathering on the shores of Lake Couer D'Alene (Idaho) plus some picnics during the summer.

The Chapter sends congratulations to Mel Ellis, K7A0Z, for his re-election as Vice President of the ARRL Northwestern Division.

- Bob, W7BMK -

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER (81)

Thirty-seven member of LIQCWA met for dinner December 10, 1982, to hear a traditional guest speaker and charter member of this Chapter talk on "Some Reflections on the Past & a Look Ahead". It was our good friend, Harry Dannels, W2HD former President of ARRL. We were delighted to have Harry with us and also his consent to be our Chairman for 1983.

Harry covered a wide range of interesting subjects--possible amateur radio QSO's with future space shuttles, the wonders of micro-chip advancement in thirty years starting with pocket calculators, licensing exams to come by qualified amateurs, possible 'condominium' antennas for those located in developments, and the public image of Amateur Radio. All very interesting topics.

New Officers for 1983 elected are:

Harry Dannels, W2HD, Chairman
Arnold Tarallo, W2OJ, Vice Chairman
Andy Bartilucci, W2NKC, Secretary
Marty Levitt, K2BPY, Treasurer

In other activities, Milton Toffet, W2ERJ, was presented with his Golden Certificate. Pictured below, Milton, at left and Cliff Campbell, W2HVD, Chapter Chairman making the presentation. Pix by "Shure Shot" Dave Winters, W2AUF.



Kitty Graves, X-YL of W2DAL, had crocheted her sixty-fourth Afghan and offered it to LIQCWA to enhance its treasury. By drawing numbers at a modest cost, a substantial sum was raised for that purpose. We are indebted to Kitty for her thoughtfulness.

-- Bob, W2FRX --

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER (7)

Chapter President Mac Joffe, W6PHE, reports the Chapter's nets are flourishing: Sundays at 10AM on 146.805 (down), with Bill Hawley, W6ZRE, conducting; Early Birds, 8 to 9AM on 3917 kHz, led by Gene Violino, W6INH, followed by the 9AM gathering with Herb Gleed, W6FQ. CW buffs meet on 3695 with Norm Henkel, K6BA, as NCS.

All members feel the loss of Ruth Moser, Xyl of Mert, W6HS, the "father" of our Chapter. She was stricken while on a cruise in the Pacific and endured a long hospitalization.

Arrangements are being made for the Spring gathering of members, to be announced in the local Chapter bulletin.

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- Lenore, W6NAZ -

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Pictured at left is Ted McElroy in a shot taken at about the time he was really going well. A happy face. Truly, Ted was one of our greatest, and it appears we shall never again see his equal. It is interesting to see the old Prince Albert can on the sounder. No self-respecting land-wire man would be without this "aged" amplifier. Pix is by courtesy of K5RW.

QCWA SILENT KEY MEMBERS

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Lee Caudry	W5ASV	Frank Friedl	OE1FF
L. E. Harrison	W5LR		

The following letter was received at Headquarters recently. It is not only interesting, but in the words of one of our true pioneers, tells it "like it was." The letter is just as it was written to us:

"Dear OM's, Am now 81 years of age, have been US licensed (amateur) over 67 years (1919-1982). First call-sign was 3WK, in Philadelphia--that's when call-signs did not have a letter (or letters) in 'front' of District digit indicating the radio district. Started out with home-built 'tuner' coil (solenoid) #22 enameled wire wound on an old Mothers Oats (Quakers Oats) cylinder container, which I had shellacked--had a brass bar with 'slider' to tune in spark (broad signals) - used a piece of silicon as a 'detector,' used single earphone, made a 'condenser' out of old tobacco pouch lead-foil, with waxed paper as dielectric, to by-pass head-telephone. Most parts were purchased via mail-order house of Hugo Gernsbach, of New York City area--this was in 1913--finally took examination at Philadelphia Navy Yard by By Baltimore, MD Radio Inspector R. Y. Cadmus--so, became legal in 1915.

First spark smitter used an ordinary door-bell powered by 2-#6 dry-cells--removed the 'ball' at end of vibrator clapper, also the gong--connected the vibrator contact to a dead telephone line (passing our roof chimney) and the frame of the door-bell to cold-water pipe in our basement. My first contact was to 3CF, Robert Basford, who responded to my 'CQ' -- he was 1/2-city block away in Philadelphia.

Served as 'Sparks' on merchantships at age 15 years. Our ship S/S WESTWEGO, 'EGE', was destined for port in England known as 'Barrow in Furness'. Our cargo of fuel oil was for British Navy. About 250 miles out of England, we were captured by large German submarine and boarded by 'Prize Crew'. Our Captain Mulcoy, was an Irish (Nova Scotia) 'Bluenose'. The submarine Commander sent word he would like 5 barrels of lubricating oil -- his had been contaminated. So, our crew loaded 8 barrels of oil into a lifeboat and fought the heavy seas of the North Atlantic and finally got them aboard the submarine and drained them into conning tower 'intake' pipe. This started an International Situation because the USA was not (then) at war! Finally got back to USA! Sent a total of 3 SOS messages as a member of US Navy's 'Armed Guard Service' aboard merchant ships in World War I."

73 on this Armistice Day, November 11, 1982

Frank J. Shannon, Sr., W3QR

Frank, Col. USAF, retired in 1957 after more than 40 years in the Armed Services.

- Ed -

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA COAST CHAPTER (75)

The Fall, 1982 meeting of the Chapter was held November 6th, at Trader Nick's Restaurant, in Pismo Beach. Weather was fine, food excellent, and the program of jokes, magic, and the old-time songs by Morris Rebhun were especially enjoyed by Mel Delauney, W6PIH.

This was the Chapter's rotation meeting, so election and installation of new officers was held. Results of the election were greeted by all members with cheers and sighs of relief. Byron Looney, K6FI is our new President, Cyn Delauney, WYPH, Vice President, Mel Noe, W6LMW, Secretary/Treasurer and Harriett Amborn, N6HA, Historian. They are pictured below:



All systems are GO for the next two years! 73

Hank, W6TZW

METRO N.Y. CHAPTER (46)

The Metro NY Chapter held its meeting on November 10, at noon, in NYC. W2SF and WA2RST, dropped in to say hello, but could not stay. In his absence, W2AUF presided. There were 35 present. After all had been identified and a good dinner consumed, W2AIM introduced Dr. Max DeHenseler, HB9RS, who gave a talk on ham radio in Europe. Some of the matters discussed were: How European hams get parts, do their neighbors object to antenna towers, is passing the amateur license test easier or harder in Switzerland than in the US.

Max has held calls and operated stations in more than 13 countries. He is senior official at the UN, a Fellow of the Radio Club of America, a Life Member of QCWA and President of the UN Amateur Radio Club. Pictured, below, L-R., are: Nat Pfeffer, W2AIM introducing Max, HB9RS.



Happy Holidays and 1983 to all of QCWA from Metro NY!

-Dave, W2AUF-



Northern New Jersey Chapter held its agenda-packed Annual meeting the evening of Friday, November 19, at the Robin Hood Inn, in Clifton with 42 members and guests in attendance.

Highlight of the meeting was presentation of the Chapter's first "Elmer" Award to Francis C. Leonard, W2NPT, of Fairlawn, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to Amateur Radio as an "Elmer" for a period of over 20 Years. Pictured at left, with his award, W2NPT was chosen as Northern New Jersey's "Elmer-of-the-Year" from a field of nominees by a committee which included such prominent local amateurs as: George Diehl, W2IHA, newly elected Director of the Hudson Division of ARRL; Curtis Williams, W5DTR, Section Communications Manager of the NNJ Section; and Joseph Painter, W2BHM, head of the W2 - QSL Bureau. The large plaque, with the key, will rotate from year to year, with new members elected "Elmer" annually. The smaller plaque commemorating the event remains with the Honored Amateur.

Officers elected to serve the Chapter for the next two years were:

Herman "Musty" Musterman, W2TP, President
John Brischler, W2SGI, 1st Vice President
John Carroll, W2ZDF, 2nd Vice President
Carl Felt, N2XJ, Corresponding Secretary
Arthur Muscher, WB2RAG, Recording Secretary
Frederick Boenig, W2KHL, Treasurer

Musty, W2TP, and his sister, Isolde, presented a splendid slide-film account of their recent Caribbean trip. Of great interest to DX'ers was a shot of Musty and Dick Spenceley, KV4AA, in St. Thomas, shortly before the latter, who made more DX QSOs than any amateur in history, became a Silent Key.

A 50-50 raffle for the benefit of the QCWA Memorial Fund netted \$75, thanks to the generosity of Isolde, who contributed her winnings to QCWA's favorite Chairity. The money is being forwarded to HQ in memory of all of our Chapter's Silent Keys.

Four Chapter members were presented with awards, as follows: John Slack, W2BLQ and Joseph Pettingill, N2BC received Golden Awards and 50-Year Continuously licensed Certificates. Gordon Gregory, N2IN and Fred Burns, W2KWW, received their Golden 50-Year Certificates.

Jerry Powell, W2OJK, out-going President, expressed his appreciation for the cooperation he had received from both Officers and members during his term in office and his confidence that the Chapter would continue to grow in its service to Amateur Radio and to QCWA.

The newly elected slate of Officers for Northern New Jersey Chapter, shown at right, above, include, L-R: Carl Felt, N2XJ, Corresponding Secretary; John Brischler, W2SGI, 1st Vice President; Musty Musterman, W2TP, President; John Carroll, W2ZDF, 2nd Vice President; Arthur Muscher, WB2RAG, Recording Secretary and Frederick Boenig, W2KHL, Treasurer.

- Carl, N2XJ -



1982 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ERRORS AND OMISSIONS WITH CORRECTIONS

In publication of the QCWA MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY FOR 1982, A number of errors occurred, some omissions were noted and have been reported. The greatest source of trouble consisted of members who had not renewed membership and whose names had been placed on inactive list prior to publication. It is our opinion that most of those who, for whatever reason did not appear in the Directory, have been contacted with an explanation. The following listing of members who were in good standing, and for whom listing was omitted or incorrectly given. We apologize to all!

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PALMETTO CHAPTER CELEBRATES "CHARLIE BIELE DAY" JANUARY 12, 1983

January 12, 1983, was a "Red Letter Day" in the Palmetto State of South Carolina. This was the day the Honorable Richard Riley, Governor of the State renewed his lease on the Governor's Mansion for another four years. While this act was taking place, another act of equal importance was taking place down at the Big Sandpile, better known as Myrtle Beach SC. Myrtle Beach happens to be the home of Charles E. Biele, W2AOS, Capt. USN (Ret). Charlie wasn't the first person to join QCWA, he was the seventy-sixth. Charlie's name was placed in nomination for QCWA Hall of Fame or QCWA Man of the Year at the 1982 National Convention. Two outstanding QCWA members beat him out. Playing second fiddle to Barry Goldwater for the Hall of Fame and to Herb Gleed, W6FQ, for the Man of the Year is like losing a ball-game 1-0 to the Yankees of the thirties. Speaking of the 30's, Charley dabbled in communication long before then...He earned the right to put the tag 2AOS after his name on June 8, 1920. Before that date and since he has spent a lifetime contributing to the field of Communications.

A plaque was presented to Charley during "Charley Bieles Day, January 12, 1983," by the Palmetto State Chapter in behalf of its members and the remaining membership of QCWA.

A number of people and organizations took part in the Special Occasion....Fellow QCWA'ers from the "Grand Strand" and the "Midlands" were on hand to take part in the program. Other QCWA'ers sent messages by telephone, radio, smoke signals, wig-wag and Western Union. Here is what some of the messages said: "I'm delighted to see you getting recognition for your many years of outstanding and dedicated service to the Amateur Radio Service and QCWA"...Ethel Smith, K4LMB. "As a fellow officer in our armed services I send you greetings and a hearty WELL DONE for all you have accomplished during your distinguished career for Amateur Radio, for QCWA in particular and for our Country. May God bless you and keep you." Leland Smith, W5KL. "You have set an example for all of us who share in the great hobby of amateur radio. Your career is an inspiration for present and future amateurs"...Mel Buchanan, W4DSU, President Piedmont Chapter QCWA. "Our Association in its 58th year, is proud of the honor bestowed on one of its oldest and most faithful members and we trust that you will again become active in the affairs of this Association."...Jim Hepburn, W2IIC, President, VWOA. "Congratulations on receiving the well deserved QCWA Award." Signed SONP Members, Pickerill Chapter. "Speaking for the many fellow enrollees who served under your command in the Civilian Conservation Corp, we say 'Thank you for your leadership and guidance'"...Cecil Sills, W4HDO. "I take this opportunity to wish Charlie Biele, W2AOS, well and congratulate him for his many years of dedication to an interest in the amateur radio service."...Stuart Meyer, W2GKH, President, QCWA Inc.

The Palmetto State Chapter Awards Committee would like to express its appreciation for the wonderful support given which made the Award Presentation a success. A big thanks go to W4ZQ-FM, Myrtle Beach; Cox Cablevision System, CH 12, Myrtle Beach and the South Carolina Bureau of the Associated Press.

- Cecil Sills, W4HDO -



Charlie, W2AOS AND XYL Marjorie
admiring the Award

Pictured below, Charlie, W2AOS along with Frank Opalko, W3OUG; Eric Roberts, K4RF; Harry McCorkle, WA4RHW and Frank Irwin, W6ECB.



Above, Charlie, W2AOS &
Cecil, W4HDO

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS (CONTINUED)

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Royal V. Mackey
Walter B. Williams
Charles Parker

W8SOU
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N4ADI
W8HP
W9CRY

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W3VR
DJ3TQ

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27th Annual Old Timers' Dinner

Sponsored by Washington & Northern Virginia Chapters QCWA

For All Area Amateurs
MARCH 26, 1983

Washingtonian Motel, Gaithersburg, Md.
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Washington, D.C. 20016
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BARNEY'S ANTIQUE EXCHANGE

Managed by Barney Moffatt

W5CJZ

5714 Trail Meadow Drive, Dallas, TX 75230

Quite a few QCWA Members are interested in the old-time stuff, and have suggested that we have a vehicle to permit QCWA members to swap parts, information, and to search for a special bit or part needed to restore, rebuild or go from scratch on old equipment....This is our answer.

Barney has volunteered to keep records, and to coordinate the whole schmeer. If you need six fahnestack clips, or a rheostat, or what have you, send your requirement to Barney. He'll see that it's published herein, and help in every possible way to see you get those needed items.. A few rules are necessary, more may be needed later:

There is no cost to QCWA members, neither QCWA, its Officers, Board of Directors, manager or its agents assume responsibility for loss or misrepresentation to anyone.

NEED A SCHEMATIC FOR AN AUBURN TABLE RADIO (1931-32), manufacturer unknown, or any similar make using a resistor line-cord and two 38's, a 36, 39/44 and a 25Z5 in the tube line-up.

Dan Zerick, K4JHT
Route 12, Box 521
Maryville, TN 37801

FOR SALE: RME VHF 152 G/C \$35 plus UPS. National I-10, G/C, \$40, plus UPS.

or, will trade for a National power supply for a FB-7, 2.5 volt unit.

Henry McLaughlin, W80YV
1508 Navarre Road, SW
Canton, OH 44706

WANTED: A NATIONAL SW-3 RECEIVER, WITH COILS, IF POSSIBLE AND A POWER SUPPLY IN GOOD OPERATING CONDITION.

Mike Ruggiero, W2NVR
570 Monmouth Place
West Eng. NJ 07740

COLLINS KWS 1 & 75A4

The following letter was received and we are repeating it essentially just as written. If you think this is a worthwhile activity, write Hank direct!

I would like to contact as many owners of Old Collins KWS-1 & 75A4 units as possible. The purpose is to exchange information and where to locate repair parts and service information.

I would like to try to compile a list of KWS-1 & 75A4 owners to be made available to all other owners. All I ask is that you write me, sending your name and address and an SASE. I will volunteer my time for the effort.

KWS-1 and 75A4 units may not be antiques, but they are over 25 years of age...My units still serve me well.

I have been trying to locate information on how to use the VFO and xtal outputs of the 75A4 to drive the KWS-1 in a transceiver mode!

If you are interested, we will, if it appears to be of general interest, publish, from time to time, names of those who are owners ... - Ed -

NEED, two or three 2.5 to 3 inch skirted black bakelite knobs with calibrations.

George B. McKean, W0DWZ
3108 Georgia
Kansas City, KS 66104

FOR SALE: UTAH AND W.E. EARPHONES: SOLAR EXAM-METER, MODEL CF, LAB INSTRUMENT. SWR-FIELD STRENGTH METER, \$10, WESTON TWINS, AC & DC, NEW UNITS, MODELS 664, 665 METERS, LAB INSTRUMENTS. WRITE AND MAKE A REASONABLE OFFER.

Monroe M. Freedman
7010 Southwest 16th Street
Royal Palm South
Plantation, FL 33317
305 292 4600

NEED INFORMATION ON: A TYRMAN PORTABLE (WITH A MACK TRUCK) RADIO, VINTAGE AROUND 1921...THIS RADIO IS 9" DEEP, 15" LONG & 13" TALL AND USES 4 UX-199 and 1 UX-222 tubes. BATTERIES ARE DRYCELLS AND 45 V B BATTERY AND 1 4.5 V C BATTERY. HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED

Alvin C. Demmin, W9MXD
31 Lauterbach Drive
Batonville, IL 61607

WANTED: COIL L-110 (15 meter peaking coil) for Hallicrafter Xmtr HT-32-B. Information on making coil might be useful. Will pay!

William L. Haas, W2GMY
53 Huxley Road
Metuchen, NJ 08840

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER (59)

Central Illinois Chapter met in El Paso, IL, at the Pines for the fall meeting of the Chapter. In attendance were 93 members, YLs, XYLs and guests. Following the invocation, the persons present were treated to an excellent meal followed by a short business meeting and presentation of Awards. In attendance at the meeting was Ed Metzger, Central Division Director of the ARRL. He reported on the 10 MHz band and new procedures for amateur licensing. Ed also presented Delmar Rowe, W9BPU, with the 50 Year Membership plaque Award in the ARRL. Other awards at the meeting were: 55-Year Golden Certificate to Jim Umstattd, W9CPV and the 50-Year Continuously licensed Certificate to Delmar Rowe.

Highlight of the meeting was a slide presentation made by Bill Dunbar, AA9E, of his trip to Israel. The next Chapter meeting was scheduled March 26, 1983, at the Henry Marina, in Henry, Illinois.



In the picture above, slightly abbreviated, L-R, are: Ed Metzger, W9PRN; Delmar Rowe, W9BPU and Earl McLaughlin, W9MRT, our Chapter President.

Johnny, W9ZEN -

APPLICATION BLANKS FOR THE GOLDEN AWARDS MAY BE SECURED FROM CHAPTER SECRETARIES OR COPIED FROM BACK COVER OF THE FALL, 1982 QCWA NEWS. HEADQUARTERS IN IRVING WILL SUPPLY YOUR NEED IF YOU WILL SEND AN SASE WITH REQUEST

FLORIDA GATOR CHAPTER (32)

Our Chapter had a fine turnout at our Christmas party and meeting on December 4, at Chief Charlies Restaurant in Clearwater. 75 members and guests attended and token gifts were exchanged. Barney, K4NB and Rex, W4BAFQ, after long illness were able to attend. Cathy Soehl, W4BAV also attended with a broken wrist. One of our guests was General Ted Conway, W4EII. Frank, K4GT, regaled with a number of his funny stories. Sissy Turner and Dot Walker did a fine job with the table decorations. Mae, W3CUL, baked a fruit cake which was given to a lucky ticket holder. Thank-you letters were received from QCWA HQ and the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch for the \$100 donations from our Chapter.

Ed Powers, W4BUB, reported on the Florida Gulf Coast Amateur Radio Council plans for the next Suncoast ARRL Convention. Next year it may be held on Nov. 26-27, at the Sheraton Sand Key Hotel in Clearwater.

New Officers and Board members were voted in for 1983. They are:

Paul Turner, WIDLP, President
Ed Powers, W4BUB, Vice President
Eli Nannis, K4JMH, Secretary
George Rae, K4TH, Treasurer

Directors are: Erle Parker, K4JF, Bill Turner, W2WV, and Ernie Grant, WIGJZ. Several changes were made in our by-laws. Officers and Directors are voted in for 2 years. The President and Vice President may request one-year terms if they desired. The outgoing President becomes a Director for one year.

Many zip-codes have been recently changed in our area and the Secretary is going to have his hands full getting the members new codes. We all thank Lou Weber, K4HWS, the outgoing President for a good job in running the Chapter for the past two years.

At the meeting, Rex, W3CFC, showed his latest transmitter a fine looking spark unit. Rex does not believe in transceivers. Bob David, W4YK, would like a similar unit, if he can find one.

The Chapter recommends seeing the EPCOT at Disney World in Orlando!

- Eli, K4JMH -

Editors note: When, as listed above, zip-codes are changed please notify HQ immediately. All bulk-mail is deep-sixed if the zip is incorrect. We need to know at least two weeks before mailing dates to insure changes are complete.

- Ed -

PIEDMONT CHAPTER (126)

Piedmont Chapter 126, of North Carolina, had a quarterly meeting in December, at the Western Steer Steak House, in Charlotte. Over 30 individuals attended, which included members, wives, and guests. Newly appointed Director Wade Holland, W4AZT, was present and talked about QCWA and other Amateur matters.

New officers were elected at the meeting, to serve during 1983. Those elected were:

M. L. Buchanan, W4DSU, President
Ellicott Valentine, K4JO, Vice President
Henry Elwell, N4UH, Secretary/Treasurer

Directors elected were: Charles Brydges, W4WXZ, Ray Low, W1VMD and Allen Smith, W4IPP.

Speaker for the meeting was Chuck Wortman, W4CYB, of Charlotte, who had an excellent slide presentation of his trip to Scandinavia and Russia.

The next meeting for the Chapter will be in Albemarle, NC on March 12, 1983. W4LZI is in charge of the affair and may be contacted for more information.

-Henry, N4UH-

YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE QCWA MEMORIAL FUND IS GROWING, SLOWLY, BUT STEADILY. WE WILL SOON HAVE THE FIRST \$25,000 NEEDED TO MAKE THE FUND SELF-SUPPORTING. PLEASE KEEP YOUR GIFTS COMING. THE NEED IS GREAT AND WE CAN BE PROUD OF OUR WAY OF HONORING OUR SILENT KEY MEMBERS WHILE HELPING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE! Leo, W8GFO

PITTSBURGH PENNSYLVANIA (6)

The November 7th dinner had a fine turnout with approximately 80 members, wives and guests present. A new set of by-laws were voted on and accepted. Officers and Trustees elected were:

Pete Backstrom, W3DM, President
Mark Moore, W3LPE, Sec/Treasurer

Bill Clark, W3RMS; John Hoffer, W8CWY; Bob McClain, W3VRZ; Sid Graul, W3SF; and Ed Gammeter, WBCSU as 1983 Trustees.

It was agreed to contribute \$25 to the QCWA Memorial Fund in lieu of a flower fund for any QCWA member or his spouse demise.

It is with regret that the Chapter reported Silent Key, Stan Piotrowski, W3RNO. Stan had worked many years with US Air when they started out with airmail pickups and deliveries from hilltops hereabouts in the 1930's. He had recently retired as lead mechanic at the US Air Radio Shop.

Best wishes for the speedy recovery of Wayne Lightners, W3WNG, hospitalized YL, Ruth; Len Sairs, W3OVM; Dave Jones, Jones, recovering from a stroke and George Moore, W3PFD.

Bouquets to Joe Plesich, W8DYF, who, in his position as a high-school teacher, inspired many youngsters to go into ham radio. This in turn has motivated many of them in their college and military careers. Congratulations on the recent retirement from the Naval Reserve, active & inactive duty, of Capt. Arthur Kunst, W3WM, of DuBois, PA. His long career and accomplishments are too lengthy to elaborate here but will appear in the Chapter newsletter. Arthur has agreed to be our speaker at the April dinner.

Welcome to some long-lost QCWA old-timers who came to the dinner..... W3JAV, W3KUZ, W3QWE and W3WM, and, a final note on John Hoffer, W8CWY. He is shown, at right, receiving his Golden Award. John was instrumental along with others, in forming the Canton, OH Chapter and served as Chairman for one Term. For the Pittsburgh Chapter he has served at least three terms as Chairman. He has been instrumental in bringing many hams into QCWA. We all congratulate him and thank him for his help and work.



- Mark, W3LPE -

YANKEE CHAPTER (112)

Yankee Chapter took part in activities at the NE Division Convention, in Boxboro, MA, on October 2 & 3. We passed out nearly 100 applications for membership and more than 20 new members have been signed up.

On October 23, a luncheon meeting was held in West Hartford, CT., where Dale Clift, W3JNL, from ARRL, spoke to the group about the new RFI law which had just been signed into law. There were 42 in attendance.

On November 26, a memorial service for Sam Moses, W1ASD, was held, and attended by 30 or more member of Yankee Chapter.

December 4th saw a group of 46 members and guests at the home of Onie, W1ZEN, for a holiday party. -Charles, W1EFC-

QCWA MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for QCWA membership must have held an amateur license at least 25 years previous to and at the time of application for membership. It is not required that a license be held for the whole 25 years. Proof of eligibility must be provided. Headquarters has a library of callbooks from the old times that can be used in many cases. A request for information will bring a prompt return letter! An entry fee of \$3. is charged to each new member plus dues in accordance with the dues schedule printed on the Editors Page in this issue of QCWA NEWS.

The QCWA dues schedule permits membership fees to be paid in just about any way suitable to you.

Members to QCWA have a variety of Certificates for which they may be eligible, a list follows!

CERTIFICATES

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES, numbered in serial order, are issued to each member. The numbers are never reissued except to the same one to whom they were first issued, and then only in the event of lapsed membership. Blue certificates and membership cards going to regular members with Gold Certificates and membership cards being issued to Life Members. In the event a Certificate is to be replaced, a charge of \$2.00 is made.

QCWA GOLDEN CERTIFICATES LISTED BELOW ARE OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE TO MEMBERS!

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES are issued upon application and proof of eligibility. Those having 50 or more years in amateur radio are qualified

50 YEARS CONTINUOUSLY LICENSED CERTIFICATE is issued to QCWA members whose calls appear in callbooks for at least 50 consecutive years. (if licensed in both 1941 & 1946, the war years are counted as licensend years). The certificate must be applied for, with proof of eligibility furnished.

55th ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN CERTIFICATE is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 55 years as a licensed amateur. Proof of such licensing must be supplied together with an application for the Certificate

60th ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN CERTIFICATE is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 60 years as a licensed amateur. Proof of such licensing must be supplied together with an application for the certificate.

65th ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN CERTIFICATE is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 65 years as a licensed amateur. Proof of such licensing must be supplied together with an application for the certificate.

70th ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN CERTIFICATE is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 60 years as a licensed amateur. Proof of such licensing must be supplied together with an application for the certificate.

QCWA CENTURY CLUB CERTIFICATE is issued to those members of QCWA meeting the following requirements: Eligibility based on a members age plus his years in QCWA (in good standing), being equal to 100 or more. Proof of eligibility must be provided by the applicant. Upon satisfactory proof, HQ will attest to eligibility and issue the membership grade..

All of the Certificates are issued by Headquarters. Application blanks are available from Chapter Secretaries and from HQ. The forms must be used when you apply for any of the Awards. There is no charge for any of the above Certificates. Remember, your application must be accompanied by proof. Details are on the application form. If you are uncertain, write HQ before making application.

OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES

QCWA OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED TO QCWA MEMBERS BY THE OPERATING ACTIVITIES MANAGER. JACK SEIDEL, N4AQU. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY IS REQUIRED.

QCWA WORKED 50 STATES CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members who have contacted members in each state of the Union. Applications must be accompanied by proof.

QCWA WORKED 100 MEMBER CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA WORKED 60 CHAPTER CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA WORKED 500 MEMBER CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA ANNUAL QSO PARTY. A plaque is issued on behalf of QCWA to the high scorer in the PARTY. The plaque is inscribed with the winner name and year of competition.

ALL CERTIFICATES ARE NUMBERED SERIALLY, WITH A PERMANENT RECORD KEPT OF THOSE ISSUED.

EXPLANATIONS

Every possible means is used to validate claims of members for the Awards. It is always desirable for a member to contact headquarters offering evidence to support his claim before making formal application... This will allow us to help, and to avoid disappointment in the event that eligibility is not established.

THE QCWA MEMORIAL FUND IS GROWING NICELY THANKS TO THE GIFTS YOU HAVE MADE. KEEP THEM COMING. THE FUND IS A PERPETUAL MEMORIAL TO OUR SILENT KEY MEMBERS.



The following supplies may be purchased by QCWA Members:

QCWA Lapel Pin, Gold plated, with call engraved (Clutch pin, pin clasp, or screw button types)	\$7.00*
QCWA Lapel Pin, 50 Year, clutch type only	\$7.00*
QCWA Lapel Pin, 55 Year, clutch type only	\$7.00*
QCWA Lapel Pin, 60 Year, clutch type only	\$7.00*
QCWA Lapel Pin, 65 Year, clutch type only	\$7.00*
QCWA Lapel Pin, 70 Year, clutch type only	\$7.00*
Blazer Emblem 3 x 4 inch, embroidered	\$3.50*
450 Red QCWA Stamps, Regular Membership	\$2.75*
450 Gold QCWA Stamps, Life Membership	\$3.75*
240 Yellow, 50 Years in Amateur Radio Stamps	\$2.00*
QCWA Logo on rubber stamp	\$5.00*
QCWA Automobile decal	\$0.50*

*Prices for domestic members...International QCWA members to add \$0.50 for added postage costs.

QCWA BANNERS, 30 x 48 inch, Storm King Cotton, \$100.00 cost shared equally with QCWA Chapters. Chapters with 50 or more members may receive a banner at no cost, upon application \$100.00

ORDER BLANK

QCWA Headquarters
1409 Cooper Drive
Irving, TX 75061

Date _____

Please send the following QCWA Supplies:

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

Send to: _____ Name _____ Call _____ QCWA No. _____

Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Note that supplies cannot be issued to ineligible members....50-Year pins can only be issued to members who have been awarded a Tolden Certificate, etc.

GATEWAY CHAPTER (96)

Gateway Chapter held its Christmas Party meeting on December 18, 1982, at Uncle John's Pancake House, the scene of our regular meetings, held on the third Saturday of each month. All enjoyed a wonderful time, 'specially because of the two punch-bowls of egg-nog prepared by Goergette, XYL of our W2KGI.

Election of Officers for 1983 saw the following elected:

Richard F. Reddy, WB1ELI, President
Charles W. Walters, W4HMO, V. P.
Edward G. Nelson, W0MKP, Sec/Treas

The Chapter sends New Year greetings to QCWA Members everywhere!

Pictured below, Officers for Inland Empire Chapter 130, elected for the 1983 term. The picture arrived too late to be included in the Winter NEWS L-R, they are:

Walter Joos, W6EKM, Secy/Treas.
Len Yerger, K6SS, President



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St. Paul, MN 55109

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Telephone 916 756 7372

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13.5 x 19.5 inch 1983 Amateur Radio wall calendars for sale at \$3.50 each, including USA postage. Ample space in date blocks to note events. Mailed in individual wrappers. Send completed mailing label for each calendar ordered; if it is a gift, show on the label that you sent it. Order from:

LERC AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
2814 Empire Avenue
Burbank, CA 91504

QCWA FUNTEST

First Problems for 1983 have been prepared and are:

- Below is an addition sum with letters substituted for numbers. The same letter wherever it appears, stands for the same number. Different letters have different values.

H	I	T	T	L	E	R
G	O	E	R	I	N	G
H	T	T	L	L	H	H

Find the numbers for which the letters stand.
- The QCWA member who counted sheep by counting legs and dividing by 4 also kept track of his cows and chickens by county both legs and heads. If he counted 78 legs and 35 heads, how many cows & chickens did he own?
- Stingi Hamm deposited \$100 in a savings account & left it untouched for 4½ years. At the end of this time interest had been added eight times, and his passbook had a total of \$158.68. What was the rate of interest (round to ½%).
- When he counted the rates in the hamshack, the number was a third of a square. If a quarter were caught and killed, just a cube would be left. How many rats must there have been in the shack?
- The total army of hamoravia consists of 1547 companies of equal size. It can be formed into 34,697 even squads. What is the least number of men of which this army can be composed?

Send answers to:

Harry Neben, W9QB
1151 Fairway Drive
Dunedin, FL 33528

FUNTEST ANSWERS

ANSWERS RECEIVED TO WINTER PROBLEMS

CALL	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
Correct	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:24	138.6
W8GDQ	8	-	-	-	-
W4UQ	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:24	34.56
K4QJ	8	-	5, 53.13	-	150.18
W3YX	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	-	116.2
W6WL	6	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:35	138.6
W1KUL	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	6:46	138.56
W2CSN	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:24	138.61
W9NZP	8	125	5, 53.13	-	34.58
W8MBB	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	-	138.02
KD4J	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:35	138.6
W2BDE	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:32	138.6
W1WDD	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	4:47	137.6
W1DO	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	9:16	138.52
W2NAM	8	-117 +j44	5, 53.13	-	138.6

Solution to #4 was not unanimous among those responsible to get the right answer. The one believed correct is given...

The Funtest column is now under the control of Harry Neben, W9QB, and things will now be run in a business-like manner! Write him at

Harry Neben, W9QB
1151 Fairway Drive
Dunedin, FL 33528

THE QCWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL MEETING IN DALLAS TEXAS ON APRIL 8 & 9, 1983. THIS MEETING IS NOT A CONVENTION, BUT A WORK MEETING. VISITORS ARE WELCOME TO MEET THE BOARD ON SATURDAY, THE 9th. ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED, WRITE TO NADINE WELLS, W5ZUT, LETTING HER KNOW IF YOU CAN ATTEND THE SATURDAY MEETING, SO THAT SPACE CAN BE ARRANGED.

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IRVING, TEXAS 75061
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QCWA MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION

FORM #11AA

February, 1983

I, _____, having
Print name as you wish to be listed. No professional or military titles Present Amateur Call
been a licensed radio amateur 25 or more years ago, and presently holding the amateur call
listed above (it is not necessary to have been licensed the entire 25 years) hereby apply for
membership in QCWA. I understand that proof of original date of licensing is required and is
being submitted herewith. My complete mailing address is:

Street Number and Name

City

State

Zip

I will keep QCWA Headquarters advised of any change in address and/or call sign. My first
Amateur license was issued _____, Call sign issued _____
Additional calls held _____

A list of all QCWA Chapters is provided with new member materials. If known, please identify the Chapter with
which you expect to affiliate _____

Proposed by (Not required) _____

Signature

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Amount
Sent With
Application

Initial registration charge, required of all new members \$3.00

Choose one of the following Membership Fee plans:

QCWA Dues for a one-year period \$12.00

or, QCWA Dues for a two-year period \$20.00

or, QCWA Dues for a three-year period \$25.00

or, QCWA Life Membership \$125.00

or, QCWA Life Membership, time pay plan \$135.00

Three equal payments of \$45 each, to be completed in one year.

or, QCWA Family Membership for a 3-year period . . . \$10.00

See QCWA By-Law, Article 1, Sec. 2(d) for eligibility requirement

Regular membership renewal does not require an application form.
Renewal fees are \$12, \$20 or \$25 for 1, 2 or 3 year renewals.

QCWA Gold Pin, with your call-sign engraved \$7.00

Please circle type of fastener desired:

Tie-tac

Screw Button

Safety Pin

TOTAL

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Date of birth _____, Birthplace _____

Present occupation/business _____

If retired, what was major life work? _____

Hobbies _____

Other organizations you are affiliated with _____